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Dear Parent/Carer

Y7 Enhanced Languages Project and Language Options for September 2017

We are delighted to be able to give you further details about our enhanced languages project for Y7 students joining us in September 2017. This project has been run successfully for a number of years by our Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) department which is led by Mrs S.Siddons (French) and Mrs L.Staley (German). Essentially, students opting into the project have an MFL form tutor and have more exposure to the target foreign language. This means that registration and pastoral lessons are taught partly in the foreign language in order to develop students' proficiency in that language. In addition, these two classes will each have one lesson in Mandarin Chinese each week and will hopefully gain an internationally recognised Chinese qualification within 18 months.

In September, there will be two enhanced languages groups in Year 7 – one in French and one in German. Places will be limited and preference will be given to students who are identified as exceeding expectations in English from their Year 6 SATs. If you would like your son/daughter to be considered for either the French or German enhanced project, please e-mail school by Friday 30th June to express an interest. E-mail addresses are as follows;

french@eckington.derbyshire.sch.uk

german@eckington.derbyshire.sch.uk

You will receive an automated response, but it will not be possible to reply to individual questions from these e-mail addresses.

For those children not choosing to be part of the enhanced languages project, there is still a decision to make. The new intake will be split into two halves – one half will be taught French and the other half will be taught German. If you have a particular preference for your son/daughter to learn either French or German, then again please contact school by e-mail by Friday 30th June to express your preference. Please state, for the purpose of absolute clarity, whether your language choice is for an enhanced or standard group. When we are creating the timetable we will try to accommodate this preference as far as possible, however it is not guaranteed.

We hope that your son or daughter is looking forward to joining us at Eckington School in September. If you have any queries regarding the enhanced languages project, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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Dear parents/carers of Y6 students

Re: Guidance on buying shoes for September

At Eckington School we greatly value our smart uniform. Sometimes, parents can find it difficult to know exactly what type of footwear is required for Year 7.

What we ask is that students wear: **Formal black leather shoes.**

We have put photographs on our website of these types of shoe. We hope this guidance will help you in your shopping for shoes.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'I Rowbotham', written in a cursive style.

I Rowbotham
Assistant Headteacher

