

## Mandarin Chinese

### MANDARIN CHINESE (YEAR 11)

One Year 11 group will learn Mandarin for three lessons per fortnight. We use Jinbu 2 textbooks plus other teaching and learning resources. Pupils continue their preparation for GCSE Chinese. We follow AQA GCSE Chinese framework. There are two speaking controlled assessments and two writing controlled assessments. These tasks are untiered. Advanced learners will start their speaking and writing controlled assessments in the spring term.

During Year 11 the following topics will be covered from the Jinbu 1 textbook:

travel and tourism; holidays; weather; clothes; colours; rooms; jobs and career; places in town; shopping; festivals; measure words; question words; conjunctions and conjunctives; indefinite expressions; prepositions and coverbs; comparisons; adjectives; adverbs; 20 Chinese radicals; past, present and future tenses.

### Year 11 Homework Activities

In Year 11 homework is set twice a week and this could take the form of learning or practical tasks.

Pupils need to spend enough time on learning and completing homework. Homework tasks could include the following:

- memorising Chinese characters and vocabulary meanings off by heart; learn and practise Chinese characters and prepare for dictation/assessments;
- writing tasks: worksheets and essay writing (120-160 Chinese characters); prepare for controlled assessments (at least 160 Chinese characters);
- speaking tasks: prepare for controlled assessments (at least 5 minutes);
- on-line learning: use VLE and Mandarin learning websites to practise vocabulary, grammar and enhance their understanding of texts;
- workbook exercises: complete the exercise (reading and writing) using dictionaries, on-line resources, Jinbu 2;

- Mandarin learning blog: complete the homework set on the Mandarin teacher's Mandarin learning blog.