



QUEENS' SCHOOL *Dare to be a Linguist*

Year 12 Spanish students head to the British Film Institute

On Friday 15th November, Miss Montes and Mrs Hanbury accompanied the A-level Spanish students to the BFI for a study day on 'Volver'. This is a fantastic film by Spanish film director, Pedro Almodóvar, and one which we are lucky enough to study as part of the A-level Spanish course. In the morning, we were privileged to hear from Dr Miguel García and Professor Sarah Wright, both senior lecturers in Hispanic Studies. They spoke to us in detail about this intriguing director and talked us through some of the most famous scenes in his films. It was a great opportunity to listen in Spanish and share ideas with other A-level Spanish students from all over the country. In the afternoon, we watched the film in the cinema, which was an amazing experience and allowed us to really understand and appreciate the genius cinematography demonstrated in this film.

The whole day was extremely enjoyable and most importantly very useful for our students who now have a much more in depth understanding of this incredible director and his works. We look forward to doing it again next year!



Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 clubs and revision

The Spanish and the French departments are continuing to offer a very full and exciting programme for all our students.

Key Stage 3 students are welcome to join our "Languages and Games" clubs on Monday (Spanish, room 70) and Wednesday and Friday (French, room 68) at lunchtime. This is a golden opportunity for students to seek help from a teacher to go through a language lesson or simply to have fun playing Monopoly and Scrabble, a fantastic way to improve spelling in French, Spanish or English.

Key Stage 4 students are all invited and encouraged to attend after school interventions for Spanish (room 66, Thursday) and French (room 67 and 71, Wednesday and Thursday). Additionally, the MFL department run MFL interventions during tutor time on an invitation only basis. These are fantastic opportunities to consolidate their exams skills and face their mocks exams and their GCSEs better prepared.

Year 9 and Year 8 visit to Lille Christmas Market

I thought it would be a good idea to ask students about their experience on the trip to Lille - France on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th December.

Here are some reviews with pictures:

"The Christmas Market was very enjoyable and had a variety of things to buy ranging from jewellery to delicious savoury and sweet foods. All products at the Christmas Market were very well made and it was a memorable experience." Sé - 9FX

"On the trip to France, I really enjoyed the Christmas market and the art gallery. I found some great things to buy at the market and I found the art gallery really interesting as the models and artwork showed the history of Lille, France



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and art in general. I really enjoyed the trip and the room allocation made me some new friends. Thank you to you and the rest of the staff team for this experience. I look forward to future trips like this.

Austin - 9AB

"My favourite thing that I did on the trip was going to the Christmas Market in Central Lille. The market was nicely and festively decorated and the stalls were amazing. There were food stalls, jewellery stalls and even clothes stalls. I had a lot of fun with my friends when walking around it and it was the most memorable experience for me." Zhiling - 9TC



Lille Trip
2024

Christmas
Market



Mùsee de
Beaux arts



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The First Day



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And finally we arrived at the hotel

On the first Day we travelled to a traditional waffle house. These waffles were called Gaufres and they were

Delicious

After that we went to a bustling **Christmas** Market near the city centre. Many people were able to go on the massive ferris wheel. C'est Super!



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SUBWAY

Some people grabbed a cheeky Subway

On day 2 we went to a famous museum or should I say Musee. It is called Musee De Beaux Arts Lille and the tour was very interesting.

After that we went to a shopping centre called Westfield!



Lastly we took a ferry back to England and drove back to Watford



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