

# Languages



#### WHY LANGUAGES?

Learning a second language promotes Success for All through providing students with a rewarding opportunity to explore culture, diversity and be ready for the world of work in a globalised market. Learning a language also provides students with transferrable skills that assist their success in other subject areas too!

Golden Grove High School offer students from Years 7-12 opportunity to learn Spanish, Japanese or EALD (English as an Additional Language or Dialect).

English is spoken widely throughout the world as a lingua franca, as well as a native language, BUT ... as English is more widely spoken, English native speakers will lose the competitive advantage that is conferred by fluency in English.

Reliance on one language place English monolinguals at a significant disadvantage in a multilingual world. Each additional year of language study gives a student an added advantage over their monolingual peers—for life.

### BUILDING LEARNER DISPOSITIONS THROUGH LANGUAGE

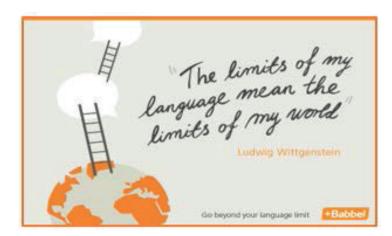
Languages students acquire valuable learner dispositions throughout the curriculum that support success for all. These include:

- Critical thinking
- · Reasoning
- Conceptualising
- Problem solving
- · Written and oral communication skills
- Collaboration

Building these dispositions fosters students to become creative, confident individuals who seek to be active and inform citizens. They demonstrate strong literacy and numeracy skills and through intercultural understanding, become ethical learners.

### 10 BENEFITS OF LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE:

- 1. Boost brain power
- 2. Improves memory
- 3. Sharpens the mind
- 4. Enhances decision making
- 5. Your first language is improved
- 6. Improves academic performance
- 7. Increases network skills
- 8. Provides better career choices
- 9. Enhances ability to multitask
- 10. Keeps the mind young and active



## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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With so many social, cognitive & career benefits of learning a language, you may want to know more. You are welcome to contact any of our languages team to discuss their language journey and how they can help your student get the best out of theirs.



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