

June 2012

Dear Parents,

In order to enrich the language learning and cultural awareness opportunities for your daughter, we have decided to continue to provide the opportunity to learn Mandarin Chinese, Japanese or British Sign Language again as an after school activity this year. The difference is however that the three providers will be operating independently and we will purely act as a host school. Any correspondence will be made directly to providers via the contact details as provided below and not to St.Michael's.

**Mandarin Chinese:**

There will be the possibility for those girls who have started this year to continue learning Mandarin Chinese and there will also be a class for beginners. Lessons for all students will take place on a Wednesday between 4.00pm and 5.00pm.

**Japanese**

Language classes will continue for those who have been learning Japanese this year on Mondays and Wednesdays between 4.00pm and 5.00pm. A beginner's class will take place on a Thursday between 4.00pm and 5.00pm.

**British Sign Language (BSL)**

British Sign Language will take place on Wednesdays between 4.00pm and 5.00pm.

Classes will commence on Wednesday 19th September 2012 or Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September for those Beginners of Japanese. The classes are taught by qualified teachers. In all classes students will work towards an official accreditation. The Japanese teacher is also considering the possibility of working eventually towards a GCSE.

There will be a fee for all lessons. For the Mandarin Chinese and Japanese lessons it is envisaged that the cost will be between £3.00 and £5.00 per lesson, depending on numbers. For BSL the cost will be £120 (which includes the examination fee) for students aged 16 and under, and a cost of £150 for those aged over 16 (this includes the examination fee).

Please do contact the providers as they would be able to offer further clarification on any queries or questions you may have.

With best wishes

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