

The Sir John Colfox Academy



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Dear Parents

If your child is studying either French or Spanish at Colfox, using a dictionary will form a vital part of their learning. At home, students are encouraged to use on-line resources such as www.wordreference.com, which is an excellent on-line dictionary that students can use to support their learning when completing homework.

In lessons, each classroom has a supply of dictionaries that are used for classwork, which are kept within year group bubbles. However, you may also wish to purchase a dictionary for your child's personal use, which can be used both at school or at home.

French and Spanish dictionaries can be purchased for a reasonable cost, from as little as £3 new in some shops. Whilst any dictionary will be useful, the normal ones used in lessons are the Oxford Schools Spanish Dictionary (ISBN: 0198407998) or the Oxford Schools French Dictionary (0198408013).

If you would like to ask any questions about the French and Spanish curriculum or would like some links to suggested dictionaries, please do not hesitate to contact me (alliesn@colfox.dorset.sch.uk).

Yours sincerely

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