



THE STUDY OF LANGUAGES (LOTE)

Margaret River Senior High School provides students with a rich and highly successful Languages curriculum.

Many countries that lead the world in education give Language Studies a high priority. The Nuffield Report in the UK identified four core areas of learning: Literacy, Numeracy, **Languages** and Technology. In countries that consistently outperform Australia on international literacy and numeracy tests (Pisa tests) such as Finland, students are required to study at least two second Languages throughout their schooling. There is strong evidence for the link between general academic achievement and competency in Languages.

The Australian Universities have responded to the increasing importance of Language studies and UWA is introducing a 10% loading on University Entrance scores for those candidates who will sit for a University Entrance Exam in a Language subject. Other Universities are endorsing this initiative.

At Margaret River Senior High School students are expected to study a selected language for two years in Years 7 and 8. Please consider the choice of Language carefully. In Years 9 to 12 Language will be offered as an elective. This will be dependent on school resources.

Students have a choice of European and Asian Languages. The choice reflects the main languages offered by feeder Primary Schools.

Please complete the form on the reverse of this letter to indicate which language your child wishes to study and return it with the other enrolment forms on or before the due date.

If you have any queries, please contact me at the school on 9757 0703.

Yours sincerely

Operations Manager

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Please return completed form below with enrolment application

SELECTION OF A LANGUAGE COURSE

Student's Name: _____

Currently attending: _____ Primary School.

Directions:

1. Please indicate what language you would like to study at Margaret River Senior High School by filling in all the boxes in preferential order 1 & 2. We endeavour to give students their first choice, however, please be aware that due to resource issues this may not always be possible.
2. If you have no particular language preferences leave all of the boxes blank.
3. **Return this form along with your student's Enrolment Package.**

	Asian Languages (Indonesia and Chinese)
	European Languages (French, German, Italian etc)

Languages Background Information:

Language studied at Primary school: _____

How many years have you studied this language? _____

Do you speak any Language other than English in your family? ☐ No ☐ Yes

If YES which language? _____

Do you have a strong language or cultural link with a particular language group?
Please provide some details:
