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Dear Parents & Guardians,

YEAR 7 LANGUAGES

I would like to take this opportunity to explain to you the organisation of the Languages Program for Year 7 and 8.

At Santa Sabina there is a choice of four languages: French, Italian, Japanese and Latin. All students study a language until the end of Year 8. The majority of the students follow the pattern as outlined below:

The students do an introductory course in 2 different languages (French, Italian, Japanese) for the first and second term of Year 7. Students are randomly organised in language classes, although, where possible, prior experience is taken into account.

After these introductory courses students will choose TWO languages to be studied for 3 terms each.

**French, Italian or Japanese** for Terms 3, 4 in 2014 and Term 1 in 2015

**French, Italian, Japanese or Latin** for Terms 2, 3 and 4 in 2015

In Year 9 Languages will be part of the elective courses and your daughter can then decide if she wants to continue her study of languages.

In addition to the program outlined above, we offer an accelerated Italian course. This course caters for students who have had an extended study of Italian in primary school and who have chosen to continue with this language. In 2014 there will be one class of Italian accelerants. The intake is based on students’ test results.

If you have any queries in relation to the Languages program please contact me at the College on 02 9745 0144.

Yours faithfully

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