Head of MFL at SSA

We want to talk to any of you interested in working with us next year, whether part-time or full time as Head of Modern Foreign Languages. Here's the blurb and have a look at our website...

All pupils at SSA study a language from year 7 to year 10. All pupils do MFL GCSE in either French or Spanish.

The MFL department is made up of six teachers. Some work part time and we are OK with that.

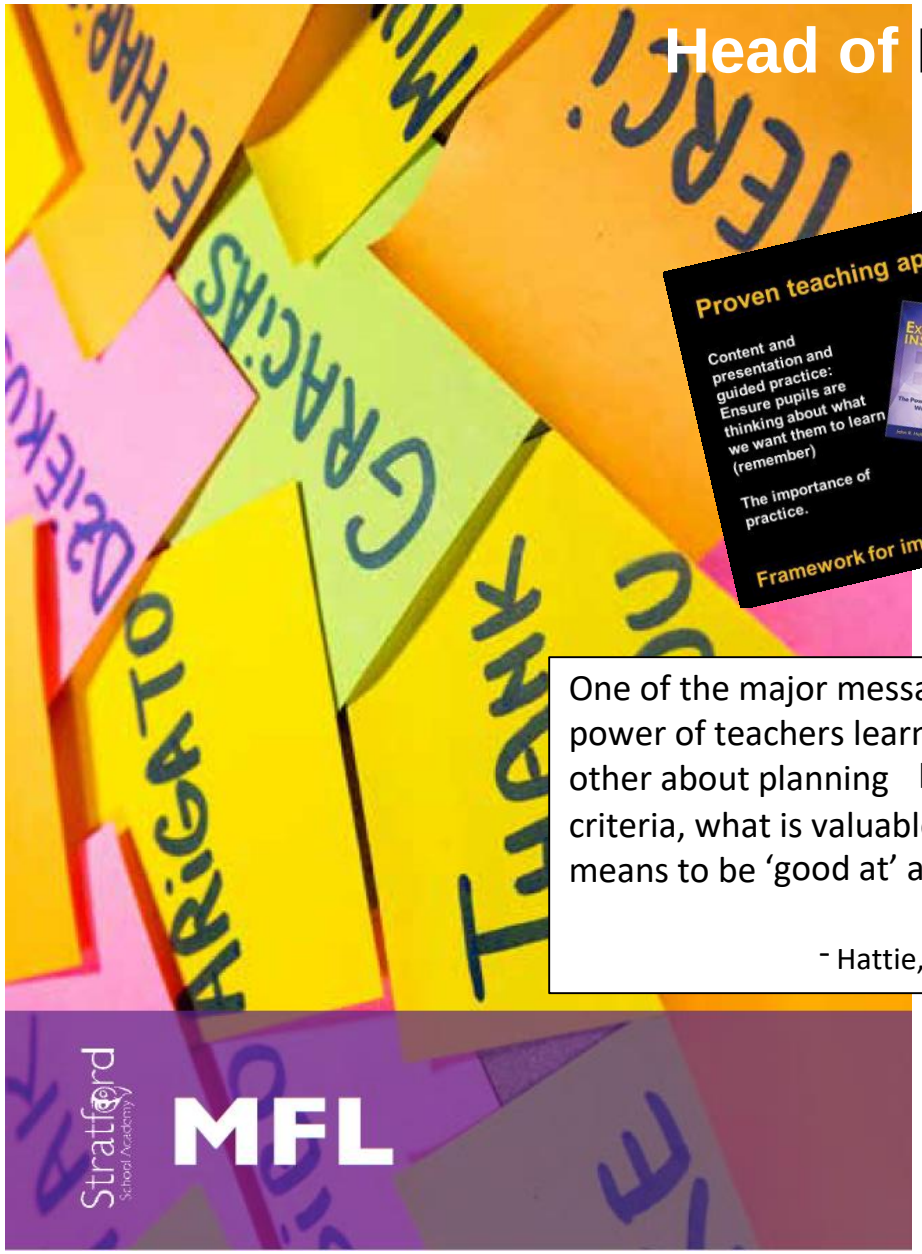
At SSA, our French teachers only teach French (no having to teach Spanish): this is because that strong subject knowledge is necessary for good MFL teachers to be a strength of the academy.

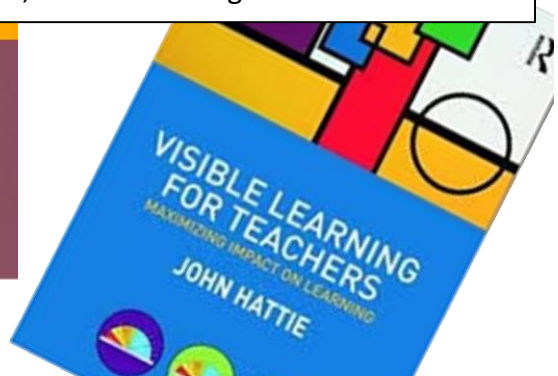
We have a very clear approach to our work to focus on what educational research tells us that will really make a difference to pupil outcomes. We teach using the direct instruction model.

Every Wednesday morning from 8.40am – 9.40am Departments have a one hour session to plan together. Teachers plan for one year group only and the lessons are used by all. This minimises the amount of planning required and helps to make sure that lessons are of high quality across all year groups.

We try to look after our staff. We provide travel loans and have cycle to work, parking permit and childcare voucher schemes. All staff get priority admission to the school for their children. Teachers have lower than average teaching loads and we don't expect them to do cover – so you have time to do the job properly. Our school dinners are well worth eating and you get free coffee all day made by a qualified barista. Last but not least you get to work with very nice people and pupils.

If interested, call me, Andrew Seager (the Headteacher) on 0208 586 8726; or Alastair Mossman, our HR Manager on 0203 823 2065



One of the major messages from *Visible Learning* is the power of teachers learning from and talking to each other about planning learning intentions, success criteria, what is valuable learning, progression, what it means to be 'good at' a subject.

- Hattie, Visible Learning for Teachers