

Ashlawn Transition Year 6 to 7

Subject: German

Why is it important to study German?

Learning a language is important as it helps you to communicate with people across the world. You will develop an understanding of different cultures and customs. As well as learning German you will also be improving your communication skills and listening skills. Learning a foreign language is a skill that is highly valued by employers and universities.

How many lessons will I have over two weeks?

Selected: You will have four lessons over two weeks. You should expect to have two lessons per week. You will also have four lessons of French over two weeks.

Non-selected: You will have six lessons of either German or French over two weeks. You should expect to have three lessons per week.

What will I be studying in Year 7?

You will study the topics of:

Family

Sport and hobbies

Home and town

What subject specific skills will I be developing in Year 7?

You will be developing listening, speaking, reading and writing skills to enable you to communicate effectively on the 3 topics.

You will also be learning the following grammar skills; verb endings, intensifiers, how to give opinions, connectives, word order, comparisons, and the future tense.

You will learn valuable transferable skills, such as how to learn vocabulary and spellings and comprehension and communication skills.

What am I expected to do before I come to Ashlawn to prepare for my studies in German?

It would be helpful for you to arrive with knowledge of numbers 1 - 10 in German, colours, alphabet, and days of the week. To support you with this, you can visit [duolingo.com](https://www.duolingo.com). To log in, simply enter:

What else would you recommend to help my understanding of German?

If you go to a different country it would be great if you could try and learn some of the language that is spoken there. You could also use the internet to explore German media, for example, songs or film trailers in German are available on YouTube.