

## What is your linguistic capital? Are you language rich?

### The Polyglots Programme

The Formby High School 'Polyglots' Programme was initiated in September 2013 to enhance provision for students with additional languages. The programme encourages independent study as well as peer tutoring ('Polyglot' Peers) to promote languages within the school community for both students with a language background and those with an interest in additional languages. 'Polyglots' offers a positive identity and recognition for students with an additional language, provides the possibility of accreditation, helps to improve biliteracy skills, and maximises potential for future career and study choices.

**So far over 40 students have gained accreditation for their bilingual language use at GCSE or A Level in languages such as Russian, Italian, Turkish, German, Dutch and Polish.**

Students are also encouraged to learn greetings and phrases independently for a new language such as Korean, Japanese, Welsh, Mandarin, or Icelandic. **"'Fluent' is an inhibitor, 'functional' is a liberator. It begins with a few words and phrases and that small investment can grow into a lifetime of interest, employment and opportunity."**  
John Worne (British Council)



Where will your languages take you?