



World Language (WL) Choices for new students in Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 & 9)

Students in Year 7 will have 3 x 40-minute lessons of WL1 and 3 x 40-minute lessons of WL2 per week. Students in Year 8 and Year 9 will have 3 x 40-minute lessons of WL1 and 2 x 40-minute lessons of WL2 per week.

Students should choose a different language for WL1 and WL2. At Patana, WL1 is usually the language continued from Primary School and WL2 is a new language which students start in Year 7.

If students have never previously studied any of the foreign languages offered at our school, please contact Céline Courenq, Head of Faculty, World Languages ceco@patana.ac.th or our Admissions Team admissions@patana.ac.th for advice regarding language pathways before submitting an application.

Languages Offered as MFL: (Modern Foreign Languages for students who are not native speakers of these languages)

- **English as an Additional Language (EAL)**
- **French**
- **German**
- **Japanese**
- **Mandarin**
- **Spanish**
- **Thai**

Languages Offered as HOLA: (Home Languages for native speakers)

Mandarin, Japanese and Korean Home Languages are offered as online programmes taught by an external provider via our Language Labs. French is taught face to face by our French Home Language teacher. All Home Language classes incur an additional fee.

Thai Nationality students are required to study Thai Home Language as part of government regulations. If your child is not receiving EAL support, they should select Thai in Language Block 1. If they are receiving EAL support, they should select Thai in Language Block 2. If your child holds Dual Nationality, please contact admissions@patana.ac.th for more information regarding language pathways.

Notes regarding EAL and LS:

English as Additional Language (EAL): Students may be tested on admission to determine whether EAL instruction is required. If so, this is mandatory and will take precedence over any other language options. Depending on the level of English, EAL may be required in Language Block 1, Language Block 2 or both. Additional fees apply.

Learning Support: Some students receiving Learning Support may take Learning Support during their WL1 or WL2 slots. This can be discussed further with Ms. Stephanie Evans, Head of Faculty, Learning Support stev@patana.ac.th



KEY STAGE 3 (YEAR 7 – 9) WORLD LANGUAGE OPTIONS 2024-25			
Student's Name:		Applying for Year:	
Language(s) spoken at home:		Registered Nationality:	

Language(s) studied before:	Period of study from... (MM/YY) to ... (MM/YY)	Hours per week

EAL: English as an Additional Language
MFL: Modern Foreign Language (for students who are not native speakers of these languages)
HOLA: Home Language (for native speakers only)

World Language 1 <i>If selecting MFL this should be a language the student has been studying for at least 2 years</i>	Please Select 1 Language
English as an Additional Language (EAL)	
French MFL	
German MFL (available in Y9 only)	
Mandarin MFL	
Spanish MFL	
Thai MFL	
Thai HOLA	

World Language 2 <i>This needs to be different to the option selected for World Language 1</i>	Please Select 1 Language
English as an Additional Language (EAL)	
French MFL	
German MFL	
Japanese MFL	
Mandarin MFL	
Spanish MFL	
Thai MFL	
French HOLA*	
Japanese HOLA*	
Korean HOLA *	
Mandarin Second Language (HOLA)*	
Thai HOLA (for Thai students who need to take EAL in Language Block 1)	

*Please note that all language provision is subject to demand and availability. If there is another Home Language your child would like to study, please share details and we will contact you if we can provide: _____

Will your child receive Learning Support (LS)? <i>Students on the LS Register can discuss taking LS in place of WL1 or WL2 subject to their needs and availability.</i>	Y	N
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Musical Ensemble Choices for new students in Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 and 9)

The Year 7-9 music course is a performance-based programme, taught in groups once a week in the regular music lesson.

- Many students start from the beginning on an assigned instrument in Year 7.
- Students who already play an instrument can continue with that instrument rather than start a new one.
- Students continue with the same instrument through Years 8 and 9.
- We hope that most students will get their first-choice ensemble, but the size of the ensembles is also a consideration.

There are five ensembles to choose from:

String Ensemble: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass

Concert Band: Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone (woodwind)
Baritone, Trumpet, Trombone, French horn, Tuba (brass)
Percussion (both snare drum and glockenspiel must be learned)

Guitar Ensemble: Classical Guitar

Thai Ensemble: Ranard, Khim, Sor Oo and Sor Duang

Vocal Ensemble: Voice

In the first few lessons students will be introduced to the instruments within their ensemble and allocated a suitable instrument.

Instrument Rental

The school will lend students the instruments, and there is a small maintenance fee (650 Baht) for students using a school instrument. This fee covers upkeep, repairs and accessories, charged on a termly basis with other activity charges.

More Information

More specific information about the programme is included in our [online booklet](#) and in [this video](#).

Please contact Laura MacRitchie, Curriculum Leader, Music, at lama@patana.ac.th if you have any questions regarding the Key Stage 3 Ensemble Programme.



YEAR 7 – YEAR 9 MUSICAL ENSEMBLE CHOICE			
Student's Name:		Year Group:	
Do you currently play a musical instrument? <i>(please circle)</i>	Yes	No	
If yes, which instrument(s) do you play?			
If yes, how long have you played for?			
Do you have your own instrument? If yes, which one(s)?	Yes	No	
Do you wish to play your own instrument in the Y7-9 programme?	Yes	No	

Please choose the **ensemble** you wish to join for the Y7-Y9 programme:
(Please circle a different choice for every column)

First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Fourth Choice
Concert Band	Concert Band	Concert Band	Concert Band
Strings	Strings	Strings	Strings
Thai	Thai	Thai	Thai
Guitar	Guitar	Guitar	Guitar
Vocal	Vocal	Vocal	Vocal

Optional Comments or Queries <i>(May include mention of preferred instrument)</i>