



# Willkommen!

## German: Transition tasks

We are really looking forward to our German lessons next year at Urmston Grammar School. Don't worry if this is a completely new language to you; by the end of the Winter Term, you will be impressed by how much German you know!

To help you prepare, we would like you to complete the following 4 tasks:

**1. Follow this link to BBC Bitesize German:**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zcj2tfr>

There is lots of great information about the basics, as well as useful exercises and activities to try. Focus on the following:

- **Phonics:** 'Pronouncing words'
- **Topics:** 'Days & months'
- **Topics:** 'Introducing yourself'
- **Grammar:** 'How to use genders & articles'
- **Grammar:** 'How to use the verb *to be*'
- **Grammar:** 'How to use the verb *to have*'
- **Grammar:** 'How to use genders & articles'

Enjoy reading and practising online first and then make yourself some neat notes / flashcards to help you in the first few weeks ....!

**2. Find out 20 interesting facts** about Germany ready to share in the first week. Things you could find out about include: Geography (eg. *Bundesländer*); famous dishes (eg. *Brezel*); festivals & traditions (eg. *Oktoberfest*); German School System (eg. *sitzenbleiben*); history (eg. *die Berliner Mauer*)

**linguascope.com**

**3. A great website with lots of games and activities to try – why not give this a go and see how many new words you can learn!**  
*We will email you a username and password.*

**4. If you have a laptop / tablet at home, save the following as 'favourites' on your device – they will be useful next year (online textbook, dictionary and verb conjugator)**

- kerboodle.com
- verbix.com/languages/german
- www.wordreference.com

