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## THE WORD IS NOT ENOUGH

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Shhhhh.....it's in a secret location in central Leicester.....

We are delighted to be teaming up with GCHQ for this exciting day, allowing your students a peek behind the scenes at one of the UK's intelligence services. This event is aimed at your Year 10 linguists. It will appeal to students with a particular interest in developing their **language and employability skills** and finding out how they can be used in professional scenarios. This event is open to state schools only.

### Overview



GCHQ plays a part in the fight against terrorism, drug trafficking, and other forms of serious crime, as well as providing support to military operations across the world. Working with the UK's international partners, they help inform UK policy on a range of security topics. They employ a large team of language analysts covering a wide range of languages to help them.

We will take an area of GCHQ's work as a theme for the day and the students will be set a number of tasks using their languages to uncover details about an international crime.

### Outline of the day

The day will include:

- A series of tasks and activities relating to GCHQ's work and integrating students' language knowledge into their teamwork
- A keynote talk from a GCHQ linguist
- A language taster in a language significant for GCHQ (choice of 3 languages not normally taught in schools)
- A presentation by the students using the language they are learning
- An opportunity to talk to international business people



## Challenge Prize



The winners will receive a fabulous day out at Bletchley Park near Milton Keynes, courtesy of GCHQ. Once Britain's best-kept secret, Bletchley Park, home of the codebreakers, is now a unique heritage site. The winners will be able to explore and experience the top-secret world of iconic WW2 codebreaking huts and blocks set within an atmospheric Victorian estate.

There will also be a prize for the runners-up, as well as spot prizes for individuals who excel and impress us.

## Your Team and Preparation

Your team should consist of 6 students from Year 10, who should have a common language in which to work (French, German, or Spanish). We may be able to take Russian – please contact us first. So that they can work on the activities more confidently, we will be asking them to do some research and preparation in advance. This will form part of their final presentation. A worksheet outlining their research will be sent when your place has been confirmed.

## Application details

**Deadline:** Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018. As this event is usually over-subscribed, please register as soon as possible to avoid disappointment as we have a limited number of spaces, which will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

**Age of students:** This challenge is open to language students in Year 10 from state schools only.

**Venue:** We trust you appreciate the need for security for our GCHQ colleagues for this event. The exact location will be sent to you with the registration form and joining instructions. Please note that the location is in central Leicester.

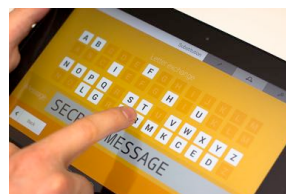
**Applications:** Please submit the **names** of the students, and the **language** your team would like to work in. Remember to include contact details for your school. Note that we will only reserve places against receipt of names, but you are welcome to advise us of your intention to take part so that we can keep you informed of space available.

**Cost:** This challenge will be £165 per team plus VAT and will include lunch and refreshments. Please note that once the invoice has been issued, there will be a cancellation charge of the full amount, unless the place can be filled by another school.

**Timing:** The day will run from 9.00a.m. (registration) for a 9.20 a.m. start until 3.30pm

**Please send your application electronically to:**

*Sally Fagan, email: [sally@blcevents.co.uk](mailto:sally@blcevents.co.uk)*



### Checklist for applications:

- Student names and language for presentation
- Name of your school
- Name and email for the main contact
- Telephone and mobile number for the main contact

**On receipt of your application we will send out a confirmation of your place, a worksheet for the preparation, and a registration form for further details. If you have any queries about this challenge please ring Sally Fagan on 01949 860167 or 07967 699614 or email [sally@blcevents.co.uk](mailto:sally@blcevents.co.uk)**

**Teacher comments:** "Brilliant day!" "A really good experience – thank you!"

**Student comments:** "I've now realised that languages can take you far", "It has made me consider learning a language at a higher level because it can be fun and useful in the future."

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