#### SPRING IS ON ITS WAY...

...but as we know, it does not mean it is here quite yet! In France they say "une hirondelle ne fait pas le printemps" (one swallow does not make a spring) and in Germany they talk about "Frühjahrsmüdigkeit" (Springtime lethargy), so it seems like one thing that connects us is our anticipation of warmer weather! Maybe after half term, we will see some sunshine - it certainly lifts everyone's spirits as we see in the classroom! Fingers crossed!

### **COMPETITION TIME!**

We have really enjoyed our recent run of competitions and there are more to come! Students keep your eyes peeled so that you don't miss out on any on your Google Classrooms! There are some national competitions that we will post details of soon!

### FRENCH EXCHANGE

We have just said goodbye to our visitors from Redon in Brittany. We had a brilliant time showing them our way of life, school and surrounding area. Activities included a Keswick town trail, Keswick Museum, a walk (obviously!) and learning about Mountain Rescue. Bonus for the group was stopping off at Manchester before they came to us, so they also got chance to go to the Science Museum! We are looking forward to our return journey on 28th March!

# GLOBET POTTING!

In Glopetrotters (Our Friday lunchtime club), we set our attendees an unusual challenge: to plan a trip to somewhere in Europe with only £600 (virtually of course). We had some amazing trips planned, and meticulously detailed. In their presentations, we 'went' to keland, Italy and Madeira amongst other wonderful places, giving us some amazing ideas for holiday destinations!

## LANGUAGE LEADER NEWS

Language Leaders are still busy! This half term we have taken our language learning roadshow to Bridekirk Dovenby School and Borrowdale School. Our Year 10 students are doing an amazing job of representung our school and sharing our love for learning languages...maybe we have some future language teachers in the making!

### LANGUAGE SHOW SEMINARS

This half term's seminars have focused on vocabulary learning and were aimed at Year 9. "How to improve your vocab memory" was very well received. The Year 9 students thoroughly enjoyed it and some lively discussion ensued! It's looking good for future vocab tests and there were fantastic strategies that can also be applied to other subject areas; another reason why learning languages is beneficial to all!

### SPOTIFY RECOMMENDATIONS

Last half term we gave you some Netflix recommendations; this half term it's all about music!

In some German lessons, the following playlist has been popular: <a href="https://open.spotify.com/playlist/25ziWpv0zBpQ2N0OdvHYHE">https://open.spotify.com/playlist/25ziWpv0zBpQ2N0OdvHYHE</a> (German Pop)

and how about this French one too; there are some songs in English but plenty in French:

https://open.spotify.com/playlist/37i9dQZF1EleKbVlKaOigq

EXTRA CURRICULAR Don't forget our various extra-curricular activities. See below for details

French speaking clinic, Thurs form time (F07)/Mon lunch (ML4)

**Stammtisch** (KS4 and 5 speaking), Thurs lunch (ML6)

Globetrotters (celebrating the differences and similarities between us and other cultures/countries), Friday lunch (ML6) - if there is anyone within our school community who would like to present anything for our Globetrotters club, get in touch with Mrs Wylie (rebeccawylie@keswick.cumbria.sch.uk)