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Denbigh School celebrates remaining in Europe for 35 years

Denbigh School is celebrating its place in Europe and that it has been in partnership with its German exchange school from Schwerte, near Dortmund in Germany for 35 years. To celebrate this unique and long-standing school exchange programme, the only one in Milton Keynes that offers students the chance to live with their host families and work in Germany, Denbigh welcomed students from the German school, Gesamtschule Schwerte, here for the day to join in lessons and to take part in team building and cultural activities.

Over the last 35 years, this programme has given Denbigh students the opportunity to live in Germany with their German partner families, attend lessons at the German school and visit cultural sites around Dortmund. They have then hosted their German partners here in Milton Keynes. Then, when they reach the Denbigh Sixth Form, they have taken part in the Sixth Form Work Experience Exchange Programme, which has allowed them to live and work in Germany and their German partners to live and work in Milton Keynes.

Andy Squires, Headteacher of Denbigh School said: 'We are very proud of our relationship with the Gesamtschule Schwerte School and the fact that we are the only school in Milton Keynes to offer an exchange programme such as this. Over the last 35 years, this programme has given hundreds of English and German students the opportunity to experience life in another country, improve their language skills and their self-confidence. Key to the success of the exchange programme has been the dedicated teachers from both schools who have supported the students on these wonderful trips. We look forward to many more years of exciting opportunities for students from schools in both countries'.

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