



**Tile Hill Wood School's German Department and  
Professor Stuart Taberner of the German Department at Leeds University**

Would like to invite **you** and your **Year 13 German A Level students**  
to an ..

**A2 GERMAN DAY -**

**Focus: Maximising the cross-over opportunities for Current Political and  
Social Issues Topics via the Cultural Topic**

**A day for Year 13 German Students and their teachers**

**Friday 27th February 2015**

A series of interactive workshops and seminars, some delivered in German -  
tempered to meet all abilities, - others in English, aiming at preparing Year 13  
students for the German A2 Exam.

**Programme Overview:**

**9:45 -10:00** Arrival and Welcome - Bertram Richter (Head of Languages)/  
Rute Bonnell (Subject Leader for German)

**10:00 - 11:00** A variety of speaking activities for students on the A2 political  
and social issues - Bertram Richter/ Rute Bonnell / Joanna Laye

**11:05 - 12:05** Exhibition followed by discussion: 'Germany's Confrontation  
with the Holocaust in a Global Context' - Exhibition led by Professor Stuart  
Taberner, Professor of Contemporary German Literature, Culture and Society,  
University of Leeds.

**12:05 - 12:45** - Lunch Break

**(12:25/30 - 12:45 - For teachers attending: "A level changes"** led by  
Professor Stuart Taberner, also member of ALCAB)

**12:45 -1:45** - A CHOICE between ...

**A)** A workshop on Der Vorleser - Professor Stuart Taberner

**B) OR**

**B)** A workshop on Der Besuch der alten Dame - Rute Bonnell

**1:45 - 2:45** - Workshop: an Analysis of German Re-Unification - Bertram  
Richter

**2:45 - 3:30** - A CHOICE between ... (teachers of incoming schools to divide  
their groups between the 2 sessions)

**A)** Workshop : Exam Technique - Speaking—Bertram Richter

**OR**

**B)** Seminar/ workshop : Exam Technique - Writing - Rute Bonnell

**3:30 - 3:40** Plenary and Evaluation of the Day - Bertram Richter/ Rute  
Bonnell

For **detailed** programme and how to **book**, please see following pages...

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## Detailed programme for the day:-

**9:45 - 10:00** Arrival and Welcome - **Bertram Richter (Head of Languages) / Rute Bonnell (Subject Leader for German)**

**10:00 - 11:00** A variety of hands-on **Speaking Activities** for students on the themes of Wealth and Poverty, Law and Order, The Impact of Scientific and Technological Progress, The Multicultural Society (immigration/integration/racism), The Environment (pollution/energy/protecting the planet). - **Rute Bonnell / Bertram Richter/ Joanna Laye (Teacher of German and French) - in German**

**11:05 - 12:05 Exhibition: 'Germany's Confrontation with the Holocaust in a Global Context'** - Exhibition led by **Professor Stuart Taberner** from the **University of Leeds**

In this session, we will do a guided tour of the Exhibition 'Germany's Confrontation with the Holocaust in a Global Context', developed by the German Department at the University of Leeds, and then debate some of the questions that the exhibition raises. For example: What meaning does the Holocaust have for Germans today, seventy years after the end of the war? How does reconciliation happen? What kinds of memorials are most appropriate for the Holocaust? What does the Holocaust mean to us, and how and why do we remember it? The session will be conducted as a question and answer session, building on pupils' responses to viewing the exhibition.—**in English**

**12:05—12:45 Lunch Break**

(12:25/30 - 12:45 - **For Teachers attending** : "A level changes" led by **Professor Stuart Taberner**, Professor of Contemporary German Literature, Culture and Society University of Leeds., also member of ALCAB.

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**12:45 – 1:45 A CHOICE between ...**

**a) A workshop on Der Vorleser – Professor Stuart Taberner from the University of Leeds**

In this session, we will examine one of the best-known German books of recent years: **Bernhard Schlink's Der Vorleser**. (The novel also features in the exhibition 'Germany's Confrontation with the Holocaust in a Global Context'). We will start with some plot summary, taking account of the fact that not everyone will have read all the book, or even know the book at all! Then, we will discuss some of the novel's key themes: love, sex, responsibility, victimhood, whether we should forgive or condemn Hanna for her role as a concentration camp guard, and the role of the ambivalent narrator, Michael.— **in English**

**OR**

**b) A workshop on Der Besuch der alten Dame:- an interactive analysis on how its emerging themes provide an opportunity for discussing deeper questions on the Contemporary Social Issue Topic of Wealth and Poverty, deeply embedded, of course, in the notion of morals and ethics. – Rute Bonnell – in German**

**1:45–2:45 Workshop: an analysis of GERMAN RE-UNIFICATION , using Goodbye Lenin and Das Leben der Anderen as springboards for planned wider questions on the Contemporary Social and Political Issue Topic of Law and Order, as highlighted by the umbrella topic of German Re-unification. – Bertram Richter – mainly in English/partly in German**

**2:45 – 3:30 A CHOICE between ... (teachers of incoming schools to divide their groups between the 2 sessions)**

**a) Workshop : EXTENDED SPEAKING OPPORTUNITIES – An opportunity for students to tackle exam style questions, putting into practice advice and techniques put forward on the day— Bertram Richter – in German**

**OR**

**b) Seminar/ Workshop: Exam Technique – How to use your Conclusion as a starting point to effectively plan and manipulate your discursive journey, be it in the Speaking or the Writing part of the exam. – Rute Bonnell**

**3:15 – 3:30 Plenary and Evaluation of the day—Bertram Richter / Rute Bonnell**

**How to book**

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NOTES:

Notes in German with key vocabulary will be available on the day for each session delivered in the format of a booklet, so that students can take them away for revision purposes. These will be included as part of the general cost for the day - **£3.50**, which will also include lunch and refreshments.

If you wish to register your attendance, please contact **Mrs Rute Bonnell/Mr Bertram Richter** with details of your school and pupil names and numbers attending.

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