

*Have you got what it takes to be a*

# CODE BREAKER ?

Each session will be for a maximum of 30 pupils in years 9, 10 or 11. The pupils will take part in a morning of fun and stimulating code-breaking activity, where they translate into English a text created in a language not taught at school, e.g. Italian, Catalan, Portuguese, etc. The text will be drawn from an authentic source and cover one of the key GCSE MFL topics. Language teachers and ambassadors from Durham University will run the event but it is expected that school MFL staff will be present to support their pupils.

**9:15** - A guided discussion on Spanish/French/German as world languages (where are they spoken, by whom, different varieties and influence of immigration)

**10:10** - Pupils work on translating a written text

**10:45** - Break

**11:00** - Pupils carry on working on the translation.

**11:30** – Pupils hand in their translation.

Follow-up activity: cultural concepts and linguistic expressions that have been difficult to translate.

**12:30** - Activity finishes.