

Subject	Modern Foreign Languages - French
Curriculum Intent	<p>Welcome to the wonderful world of languages! Learning a foreign language is a life skill and provides an opening to other cultures.</p> <p>Students build a communicative repertoire, enabling them to express their ideas and thoughts in another language. Their learning at Key Stage 3 provides a foundation for learning further languages in the future, and as students learn how the new language works, they become much more aware of the structure of English, which improves their overall literacy.</p> <p>Language learning is a continual process that builds constantly on previous vocabulary and grammar mastery. We actively promote regular vocabulary learning, revision and consolidation from class notes.</p> <p>Students are assessed on an ongoing basis. Assessment tasks test listening, reading, speaking and writing skills and also grammar manipulation and take place at the end of every cycle of learning towards the end of term.</p>
Key Stage 3	<p>In KS3 French is taught for three lessons a week.</p> <p>Students study a range of fun and interesting topics.</p> <p>Year 7: Self, family and friends School Hobbies</p> <p>Year 8: Lifestyle House and home Travel and tourism</p> <p>Year 9: Social media Health Holidays</p> <p>There are also opportunities throughout the year to learn about cultural events such as European day of Languages, la tomatina, la chandeleur and more traditional events such as Christmas and Easter in France.</p>
Key Stage 4	<p>French is studied in Years 10 and 11 for three periods a week. The GCSE is made up of four skill areas of listening, speaking, reading and writing. All four skills are tested externally at the end of Year 11.</p> <p>Students study a broad range of topics and subtopics within five main themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identity and Culture 2. Local area, Holiday and Travel 3. School 4. Future Aspirations, Study and Work 5. International and Global Dimension

	<p>All skills are terminal exams sat in the summer of Year 11 and each paper is worth 25%. The speaking exam takes place with subject teachers and is marked by an external examiner.</p>
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