



GCSE French Yr 11



Curriculum Intent

The French department seeks to develop ambitious and resilient linguists who recognise their common humanity and strive to gain inter-cultural understanding and respect.

We aim to provide an understanding of French in a range of themes (Education, International comparisons, Careers, Environment, Town, Holidays, Leisure,) which enables students to communicate effectively in authentic situations on their exchange visits and prepared for the challenges of developing the language at a higher level and with an aspiration to continue the language in the Sixth Form. We intend develop our students to be inquisitive and curious about the cultures of French speaking countries, knowledgeable and understanding, open-minded and courageous as they personally develop through their learning of French.

Autumn Term

Students will learn:

- ✓ Talk about where you live, weather and transport
- ✓ Describe a town and ask the way
- ✓ Describe a region
- ✓ Talk about your town, village or district
- ✓ Discuss what to see and do
- ✓ Discuss plans and the weather
- ✓ Describing community projects
- ✓ Talk about what you normally do on holidays
- ✓ Talk about holidays (past/present/future)
- ✓ Talk about an ideal holiday
- ✓ Book and review an hotel

Knowledge, understanding & Skills

- ✓ Prepositions when saying "in/to"
- ✓ Using the "y" pronoun
- ✓ Using negatives
- ✓ Using interrogatives
- ✓ Using the Future tense
- ✓ Using the Present tense
- ✓ Using the perfect tense
- ✓ Using the conditional
- ✓ Using the Imperfect tense
- ✓ Using the pluperfect tense
- ✓ Using Reflexive verbs (present and past tense)
- ✓ Using "on peut" + infinitive
- ✓ Using relative pronouns
- ✓ Using « avant de » + Infinitive
- ✓ Using the present participle
- ✓ Using demonstrative pronouns
- ✓ How to deal with a full set of mocks

Spring / Summer Term

Students will learn:

- ✓ Order in a restaurant
- ✓ Talk about travelling
- ✓ Buy souvenirs
- ✓ Talk about holiday disasters
- ✓ Practise for the exams
- ✓ Practise exam skills

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- ✓ Using the present participle
- ✓ Using demonstrative pronouns
- ✓ Using Subjunctive
- ✓ Using idioms
- ✓ Using si clauses



How will students be assessed?

- ✓ weekly 10 point test
- ✓ regular vocabulary testing
- ✓ skills testing within class (formative) such as frequent listening/reading/writing exercises in class
- ✓ end of unit tests by skill every half term (summative)
- ✓ past papers practice
- ✓ translation practice
- ✓ peer and self-assessment
- ✓ peer speaking exercises to promote spontaneous speech

What does Excellence look like?

- ✓ accurate verb conjugation
 - ✓ giving a range of opinions with justifications
 - ✓ accurate adjectival agreements and place of adjectives
 - ✓ accurate use of intonation to form questions
 - ✓ authentic pronunciation
 - ✓ using cognates to develop comprehension skills
 - ✓ using accurate spelling
 - ✓ using a range of connectives to make sentence structure more complex
 - ✓ using accents to pronounce words precisely
- Range of tenses used accurately with a range of pronouns

How are homework /wider resources used to enhance learning?

- ✓ Memrise
 - ✓ Quizlet
 - ✓ Languagesonline
 - ✓ Active learn
 - ✓ Ilini
- ✓writing tasks such as: descriptions of yourself, interview dialogue.
- ✓grammar revision exercises in textbook/workbook/active learn

Autumn Term

- ✓Design a leaflet for the best/worst town
- ✓Role play: guided tour of a town
- ✓Advertise a community project
- ✓Write your entry for a holiday competition
- ✓research hotels in French-speaking countries.

Spring Summer Term

- ✓Design a menu for a French restaurant
- ✓Role play in a restaurant
- ✓Write a page of diary on your travels
- ✓Write about your worst holidays



International Opportunities

Visits Programmes

Whilst students are unable to visit France in year 11, the study of the world of work topic prepares students for the Work Experience Exchange that they can participate in during the 6th Form studies.

Within the curriculum

Students explore the language through a range of themes and every opportunity is taken to develop intercultural understanding. We seek to explore the differences in the cultures. This is particularly the case when exploring, town, travel and the environment. Authentic materials are used in order to create a realistic portrayal of the language and culture, not only in France but in other French speaking countries.