



Curriculum Overview

Curriculum area: French

Year: 10

Curriculum covered

Autumn Term

Qui suis-je? Understanding and describing the appearance and the personality of family and friends as well as discussing my relationship with them. Grammar: adjectival agreement, possessive adjectives, the present tense of regular and irregular verbs, the present tense of reflexive verbs, emphatic pronouns, adverbs, 'qui' structures, the near future tense, the perfect tense with regular and irregular verbs, the imperfect tense.

Le temps des loisirs Talking about TV, leisure activities and using the internet including developing and justifying points of view. Grammar: depuis + present tense, the position of adjectives, comparatives, the relative pronoun 'que', direct object pronouns, the superlative.

Spring Term

Jours ordinaires, jours de fête Describing my daily life including food and clothes, as well as understanding and discussing special occasions and festivals. Grammar: partitive articles, il faut, subject and object pronouns, modal verbs, the pronoun 'en', tu and vous, venir de + infinitive.

De la ville à la campagne Discussing where I live, the weather and transport in my area. Grammar: how to say 'in', the imperative.

Summer Term

De la ville à la campagne Discussing what to see and do in my area, as well as talking about my future plans with my friends and community projects I undertook. Grammar: the pronoun 'y', negative structures, the future tense.

Le grand large Discussing holidays using references to the past, the present and the future, including accommodation, transport, food and souvenirs. Grammar: the present and perfect tense of reflexive verbs, the conditional, 'en' + present participle, 'avant de + infinitive, demonstrative adjectives and pronouns, the pluperfect.

Internal Assessment

Formative assessments will take place regularly during the lessons to identify and address misconceptions, such as lesson reviews, vocabulary tests, mini-whiteboard translation tasks, self and peer-assessments, teacher feedback in exercise books and regular homework.

Pupils will also have assessments in class:
Listening + Speaking (Module 1) in October.
Reading + Writing (Module 2) in December.
Translation (Module 3) in March.
Listening + Speaking (Module 4) in May.
Listening + Translation (Module 5) in July.

These are in addition to the whole-school exams scheduled in spring and summer term.

Exam Board/Exam Paper Requirements/% Weighting

Key dates (mocks and final exams)

We are using AQA for the French GCSE exams.

The French GCSE exams will take place at the end of Year 11. Pupils must be entered for all four skills at the same tier (Foundation or Higher). The four skills are Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing, each 25% of the overall GCSE Grade.

The Listening, Reading and Writing exams will take place towards the end of summer term whereas the Speaking Exam will take place with the subject teacher around Easter time.

Pupils will have two whole-school exams during spring term (Modules 1 to 3) and summer term (Modules 1 to 5) in all four skills.

Helpful resources/revision guides/websites/exam preparation

1. All the vocabulary and grammar you need for the French GCSE is in your Study Booklet.
2. You can also use Active Learn to practise listening, reading, grammar and vocabulary.
3. Quizlet is a great website to help you with vocabulary learning and spelling of key phrases. The links to specific Quizlet sets are already on Synergy.
4. CGP - GCSE French AQA Complete Revision & Practice book (with Online Edition & Audio).
5. www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/ helps you practise various skills organised in topics.
6. www.languagesonline.org.uk and www.language-gym.com to practise grammatical points.
7. www.memrise.com is a website which helps you learn vocabulary on various topics.
8. www.newsinslowfrench.com enables you to practise your listening skills while listening to the news read at a slower pace.
9. <https://lyricstraining.com/fr/> enables you to practise your listening skills through songs.
10. www.apprendre.tv5monde.com Choose your level – listening and reading skills, news with transcripts and corrections.