



Welcome to FRENCH

Bienvenue!

Our French curriculum is designed to take every student on a journey from first words to confident communication. Whether you continue to GCSE, A Level or simply use your French to explore the world, each stage builds on the last.

Bonjour!

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EXPERIENCING

Key Stage 3 – Years 7–9

Discovering French

- Develop confidence in speaking, listening, reading and writing
- Discover the cultures of the French-speaking world
- Learn to communicate in everyday situations
- Build a secure understanding of grammar and phonics
- Develop independent learning habits using our Knowledge Organisers, Quizlet and MFL Hub
- Prepare for GCSE through a carefully sequenced curriculum

★ By the end of this stage, you will be able to communicate confidently using a range of familiar topics and different time frames.



SPECIALISING

Key Stage 4 – Years 10–11

Studying French at GCSE

- Study the AQA GCSE French specification
- Deepen your understanding of grammar and vocabulary
- Communicate confidently across a wide range of topics
- Develop translation and spontaneous speaking skills
- Prepare for all four GCSE examination papers
- Become an independent and resilient linguist

★ By the end of this stage, you will have the knowledge and confidence to succeed at GCSE and progress to further study.



MASTERING

Key Stage 5 – Years 12–13

A Level French

- Study authentic French literature, film and contemporary issues
- Develop sophisticated spoken and written communication
- Analyse and evaluate complex ideas
- Conduct independent academic research
- Prepare for university and careers requiring advanced communication skills

★ By the end of this stage, you will be able to communicate fluently and critically in French while developing skills valued by universities and employers.



WHY FRENCH?

Learning French helps you...

- communicate with over 300 million French speakers worldwide
- discover cultures across five continents
- improve memory, resilience and problem-solving
- prepare for travel, university and future careers
- become a confident global citizen



HOW YOU WILL LEARN

Lessons are engaging, challenging and fun!

- ✓ Speak French every lesson
- ✓ Interactive partner and group activities
- ✓ Retrieval practice and Knowledge Organisers
- ✓ Phonics for accurate pronunciation
- ✓ Authentic texts, videos and cultural learning
- ✓ Quizlet and Google Classroom to support you
- ✓ Regular opportunities to develop your listening, reading, speaking and writing skills



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

French doesn't stop when the lesson ends!

- Celebrate French language and culture
- Explore music, sport, food and traditions
- ★ Take part in competitions and enrichment activities
- Develop leadership skills through Languages Ambassador opportunities
- Continue your studies at GCSE and A Level



FRENCH AROUND THE WORLD

French is spoken across five continents and is an official language in more than 25 countries.



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| France | Senegal |
| Canada | Côte d'Ivoire |
| Belgium | Morocco |
| Switzerland | Haiti |



WHERE COULD FRENCH TAKE YOU?



Diplomacy & International Relations



Business & Finance



Translation & Interpreting



Teaching



Journalism & Media



Tourism & Hospitality



Aviation



Fashion & Luxury Brands



Engineering



Science & Research



Sport



International Development



OUR DEPARTMENT VISION

Our vision is to inspire confident, curious and resilient linguists who develop a lifelong appreciation of the French language and the diverse cultures of the Francophone world, equipping them with the knowledge, skills and confidence to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world.



MUTUAL RESPECT



COMPASSION



DISCIPLINE



HIGH EXPECTATIONS & ASPIRATIONS



HARD WORK