

French

French is one of two second-language options students start in Year 8. French lessons are taught in the target language (French) as much as possible, in order for them to immerse themselves in the language. For students to learn the language successfully, they must engage positively in learning the grammar and the vocabulary, and while starting in Y8, they can use some of the knowledge acquired during their Y7 first language. Our curriculum is based on the STUDIO textbooks, which we cover systematically, but supplement with other texts and materials such as a KS3 Grammar book.

Year 8

- Introduce themselves & describe their family,
- Talk about school & what they like,
- Talk about their house & where they live,
- Describe what they do in their leisure time,
- Talk about their plans. We expect all students by the end of Year 8 to be able to manipulate the present tense and the near future tense, to have started the perfect tense as well as learning key vocabulary for the above topics.

Year 9

- describe their daily routine at school and talk about plans for the future,(Ecole).
- talk about activities they did in the past, in the future in all topics.
- invite other people to do things, and accept or decline invitations, (vacancies).
- how to organise their free time, including media (media et loisirs)
- cope with shopping situations and ordering in a restaurant, (vacances)
- ask for directions and understand the answers. (chez moi)
- Talk about their home and local area (chez moi)

We expect all students by the end of Year 9 to be able to manipulate the present tense, the near future and simple future tenses and be mastering the perfect tense and imperfect, use some conditional as well as learning key vocabulary. We expect them to be able to use the language they have learned over the 2 years at the same level as their other language.