

Curriculum overview for parents and carers

French

Summary of key French learning for Year 3 to Year 6.

Year 3			
Autumn	French greetings with puppets		French adjectives of colour, size and shape
	Using puppets to learn a variety of French greetings and introductions and choosing the correct greeting based on the time of day.		Describing shapes using adjectives of colour and size, learning the position of adjectives relative to the noun and identifying cognates - similar sounding words in English and French.
Spring	French playground games- numbers and age		In a French classroom
	Counting in French from one to twelve, asking how old someone is and answering the same question. Comparing sentence structures in French and English.		Responding to common classroom instructions through games. Learning vocabulary for classroom items. Understanding that French nouns are either 'masculine' or 'feminine.'
Summer			A circle of life in French
			Using dictionary skills to develop animal vocabulary and habitat names and applying this vocabulary to create sentences and complete food chains.

Year 4			
Autumn	<p>Portraits - describing in French</p> <p>Learning adjectives for describing people’s physical appearance and their personality. Creating simple sentences ensuring that the adjectives agree with the gender of the noun.</p>		<p>Clothes- getting dressed in French</p> <p>Learning vocabulary to describe items of clothing, along with the different forms of the indefinite article. Expressing opinions about outfits in French.</p>
	<p>French numbers, calendars and birthdays</p> <p>Learning: the numbers 1-31, the days of the week, months of the year, dates and seasons through maths, songs and class surveys. Researching the dates of French festivals.</p>		
Summer	<p>French food - miam, miam!</p> <p>Learning food vocabulary and revising numbers to 100, this time in the context of money and prices. Developing language detective skills and confidence with practical conversational French.</p>		

Year 5			
Autumn	French monster pets		
	Revising noun gender, using the correct article to go with nouns, making adjectives agree with the noun they describe and sentence constructions, placing the adjectives in the correct place.		
Spring	Shopping in France		
	Learning to construct high numbers, developing food-related vocabulary, building on understanding of sentence structures, questions and phrases.		
Summer	Verbs in a week		Meet my French family
	Identifying the infinitive form of verbs and subject pronouns, grouping French verbs and learning that there are regular and irregular verbs.		Learning family and relations vocabulary, the possessive adjective: 'my' and 'how' to express likes and dislikes. Learning to compose a written composition by recycling and re-ordering known words and phrases.

Year 6			
Autumn	French sport and the Olympics		
	Conjugating the verb 'aller'- to go, identifying correct prepositions, learning sports vocabulary and how to express preferences plus the infinitive.		
Spring	In my French house		Planning a French holiday
	Describing a house - the different rooms and who lives there. Learning about prepositions to explain where items are arranged in their bedrooms.		Learning to use a combination of present and near-future tenses, and becoming familiar with holiday-related vocabulary around packing a suitcase and planning a journey.
Summer	Visiting a town in France		
	Learning directional and transport vocabulary and prepositional phrases, practising giving opinions and talking about a trip to France.		