

Curriculum Guide

French - Autumn Term

Year 4

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Lessons: $I \times 70 \text{ min}$, $I \times 40 \text{ min}$, $I \times 35 \text{ min}$ (4C and 4L), $I \times 70 \text{ min}$, $I \times 35 \text{ min}$ (4M)

Homework: I x 30 min (Monday 4M), (Tuesday 4L), (Friday 4C)

Introduction:

The French syllabus introduces new grammar and vocabulary but builds on the foundation of work covered in Year 3.

Key objectives

- To engage our students and communicate our passion for French and modern languages in general.
- To unlock the full potential of our students' ability to speak and write French.
- To promote a love of speaking a foreign language through entertaining and engaging teaching techniques.
- To prepare our students to the highest possible standard in order for them to face examinations with confidence.
- To introduce our students to the culture, geography and history of France, Britain's nearest neighbours.
- To encourage independent learning, using dictionaries and the Internet for research.

These key objectives will be covered alongside others in the units of work in each term. The topic areas and grammar for the Autumn Term are as follows:

- · Greetings, name, age, birthday, where you live.
- Alphabet, numbers to 31, days, months, dates, brothers, sisters, pets.
- Introduction to gender of nouns and verbs in the present tense (first person singular).
- Classroom instructions, equipment, school subjects, opinions, telling the time, school time table.
- Christmas vocabulary, Christmas in France.

Resources:

All boys must bring the following equipment to all lessons: blue pen, pencil, rubber, pencil sharpener, ruler, colouring pencils and glue sticks.

All boys have been issued with a red exercise book. The French department uses tailor-made interactive flipcharts and worksheets as the basis for all teaching.

All boys have access to this very useful website: www.linguascope.com (Please ask your teacher for the password).