



The Mall School

Curriculum Guide

French – Spring Term

Year 8 Scholarship set

Teacher:	Madame Florence Capell
Lessons:	2 x 40 min, 1 x 80 min, 1 x 35 min
Homework:	2 x 45 min (Monday and Friday)

Introduction:

The French syllabus introduces new grammar and vocabulary but builds on the foundation of work covered in previous years. It is equivalent to International GCSE.

The Scholarship examinations cover the four skills of Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. The content and format vary slightly for each senior school. KCS does not have a Listening section.

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 their forthcoming examinations with confidence.
- To introduce our students to the culture, geography, history and current affairs of France, Britain's nearest neighbours.
- To introduce our students to overseas French territories and departments (La Francophonie).
- To encourage independent learning, using dictionaries, newspapers, magazines 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 Spring Term are as follows:

- Relationships with family and friends.
- Social activities, fitness and health, food and drink.
- France, Europe and the Francophone world.
- Revision of all grammar and drills. Practise all the skills with past papers from each school.
- Easter vocabulary.

Resources:

All boys must bring the following equipment to all lessons: blue pen, pencil, rubber, pencil sharpener, 30cm ruler and glue stick.

All boys have been issued with a red exercise book, the IGCSE French Grammar Practice and the Malvern Guide for French Speaking Test.

All boys have access to useful websites: www.linguascope.com (Please ask your French teacher for the password), www.languagesonline.org.uk (no password required) and www.lejournaldesenfants (a French weekly newspaper for children and teenagers – no password required).