

French Progression of Knowledge and Skills

Intent (Aims)	<i>All pupils are encouraged to develop a genuine interest and positive curiosity about foreign languages, finding them enjoyable and stimulating as they work towards becoming life-long language learners.</i>
Pedagogy (How?)	<p>The four key language learning skills listening, speaking, reading and writing are taught and all necessary grammar is covered in an age-appropriate way across the primary phase. This enables pupils to use and apply their learning in a variety of contexts, laying down solid foundations for future language learning and also helping the children improve overall attainment in other subject areas.</p> <p>This will progressively develop pupil skills in foreign languages through regularly taught and well-planned weekly lessons in Key Stage 1* and 2. Children progressively acquire, use and apply a growing bank of vocabulary, language skills and grammatical knowledge organised around age-appropriate topics and themes - building blocks of language into more complex, fluent and authentic language.</p>
Note	<p><i>* We recognise the gaps in French learning post-COVID-19 and we have implemented a transition period to ensure that children's knowledge is progressive. This will become more developed after each academic year (we are in the first of three years of transition).</i></p> <p><i>* Due to the impact of COVID-19, we are currently teaching the KS1 French programme throughout the day, rather than in discrete lessons. This means that certain objectives are not being taught in KS1 where MFL is non-statutory. This has been considered in light of the Language Angels programme of study and no pre-requisite learning is missed through the omission of some KS1 objectives.</i></p>

Language Domains

Curriculum (What?)	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Listening		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appreciate and actively participate in traditional short stories & fairy tales. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appreciate short stories & fairy tales and start to understand some of the familiar words in what we hear. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen to and enjoy short stories, nursery rhymes & songs. Recognise familiar words and short phrases covered in the units taught. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn to listen to longer passages and understand more of what we hear by picking out key words and phrases covered in current and previous units. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen more attentively and for longer. Understand more of what we hear even when some of the language may be unfamiliar by using the decoding skills we have developed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen to longer text and more authentic foreign language material. Learn to pick out cognates and familiar words and learn to 'gist listen' even when hearing language that has not been taught or covered.
Speaking		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn to repeat and reproduce the language I hear with accurate pronunciation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn to articulate key words introduced in the lesson and understand their meaning. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate with others using simple words and short phrases covered in the units. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate with others with improved confidence and accuracy. Learn to ask and answer questions based on the language covered in the units and incorporate a negative reply if and when required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate on a wider range of topics and themes. Remember and recall a range of vocabulary with increased knowledge, confidence and spontaneity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn to recall previously learnt language and recycle / incorporate it with new language with increased speed and spontaneity. Engage in short conversations on familiar topics, responding with opinions and justifications where appropriate.

Reading		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to identify written versions of the words I hear. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being able to identify the written version of a wider range of the words I hear. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read familiar words and short phrases accurately by applying knowledge from 'Phonics Lesson 1'. Understand the meaning in English of short words I read in the foreign language. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read aloud short pieces of text applying knowledge learnt from 'Phonics Lessons 1 & 2'. Understand most of what we read in the foreign language when it is based on familiar language. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand longer passages in the foreign language and start to decode meaning of unknown words using cognates and context. Increase our knowledge of phonemes and letter strings using knowledge learnt from 'Phonics Lessons 1 to 3'. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be able to tackle unknown language with increased accuracy by applying knowledge learnt from 'Phonics Lessons 1 to 4' including awareness of accents, silent letters etc. Decode unknown language using bilingual dictionaries.
Writing		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consolidate letter formation skills by copying words in the foreign language from a model. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start to reproduce nouns and determiners/articles from a model. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write familiar words & short phrases using a model or vocabulary list. EG: 'I play the piano'. 'I like apples'. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write some short phrases based on familiar topics and begin to use connectives/conjunctions and the negative form where appropriate. EG: My name, where I live and my age. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write a paragraph using familiar language incorporating connectives/conjunctions, a negative response and adjectival agreement where required. Learn to manipulate the language and be able to substitute words for suitable alternatives. EG: My name, my age, where I live, a pet I have, a pet I don't have and my pet's name. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write a piece of text using language from a variety of units covered and learn to adapt any models provided to show solid understanding of any grammar covered. Incorporate conjugated verbs and learn to be comfortable using connectives/conjunctions, adjectives and possessive adjectives. EG: A presentation or description of a typical school day including subjects, time and opinions.

Grammar		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start to understand that foreign languages can have different structures to English. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start to understand that foreign languages can have different structures to English. EG: Many nouns have a determiner/article in foreign languages which we don't have in English. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start to understand the concept of noun gender and the use of articles. Use the first person singular version of high frequency verbs. EG: 'I like...' 'I play...' 'I am called...' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better understand the concept of gender and which articles to use for meaning (EG: 'the', 'a' or 'some'). Introduce simple adjectival agreement (EG: adjectival agreement when describing nationality), the negative form and possessive adjectives. EG: 'In my pencil case I have...' or 'In my pencil case I do not have...' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision of gender and nouns and learn to use and recognise the terminology of articles (EG: definite, indefinite and partitive). Understand better the rules of adjectival agreement and possessive adjectives. Start to explore full verb conjugation (EG: 'I wear...', 'he/she wears...' and also be able to describe clothes in terms of colour EG: 'My blue coat'. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consolidate our understanding of gender and nouns, use of the negative, adjectival agreement and possessive adjectives (EG: which subjects I like at school and also which subjects I do not like). Become familiar with a wider range of connectives/conjunctions and more confident with full verb conjugation - both regular and irregular. EG: 'to go', 'to do', 'to have' and 'to be'.
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French Knowledge Coverage							
Curriculum (What?)	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Unit Coverage		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nursery Rhymes Salutations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colours & Numbers Shapes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phonetics 1 I Am Learning Animals Musical Instruments I am Able... Fruits Ice Creams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phonetics 1-2 Presenting Myself Family Goldilocks In the Classroom At the Tea Room What is the Weather 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phonics Lesson 3 Do You Have a Pet? The Date My Home Clothes The Olympics Romans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phonics Lessons 3 At School Healthy Lifestyle At the Weekend Planets The Vikings Me In the World

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