

# French Curriculum Guide

## Year 9

What will my son learn?		
<b>Autumn term</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Talk about school and where you live and where you are going to live</li><li>• Describe your daily routine</li><li>• Talk about what you did yesterday</li><li>• Discuss what you do to help others</li><li>• French-speaking countries in Africa</li><li>• Compare France and Britain</li><li>• Describe a country</li><li>• Talk about French personalities</li><li>• Talk about transport and new technology</li></ul> Discuss Francophone cartoon characters	<b>Spring Term</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Talk about television programmes</li><li>• Talk about music genres, give detailed opinions on music</li><li>• Talk about film genres and review a film</li><li>• Talk about reading preferences</li><li>• Understand and use the language of advertising</li><li>• Describe old and new technology</li><li>• Talk about using technology for leisure activities</li><li>• Identify the risks of social networking sites</li><li>• Discuss pros and cons of new technologies</li><li>• Talk about favourite technology and gadgets</li></ul>	<b>Summer Term</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss relationships with parents</li><li>• Talk about pocket money and helping out at home</li><li>• Discuss pressures faced by teenagers and understand advice</li><li>• Discuss life in the past</li><li>• Describe the life of homeless children</li><li>• Talk about healthy eating</li><li>• Discuss healthy lifestyles</li><li>• Talk about how diet affects health</li><li>• Talk about resolutions to be healthier</li><li>• Talk about what life will be like in the future</li></ul>

### How will my son be assessed?

- Students will be asked to fill in self-assessment forms to identify their skills
- In-class assessment where students will be given verbal feedback
- Homework and flexible assessment such as projects and research
- Students will be tested on a weekly basis including short vocabulary and grammar tests.
- An end of unit test testing them on each of the four skills on a specific topic will also take place every half term.
- Assessment for Learning will be present in lessons as an on-going and continuous process. Students will be asked to reflect and act upon teacher's feedback after they have completed an extended task

### How can I support my son with French?

- A simple bilingual dictionary will be very useful for your child. These are easily available through most book shops.
- Sharing the learning of the new vocabulary for either language with your child should be a fun activity and will make them feel much more positive about the difficulties of learning a completely new language.
- Always ensure that your son has a quiet place in which to work and monitor the amount and quality of work that he completes at home.
- Encourage your son to teach you the language he has acquired in lessons and to use the language websites as it's free and very efficient.
- Encourage your son to go to the college library where there is an area that has been stocked with French and reading material to develop independent reading.
- Ensure that he completes his homework

