

Introduction

Teaching French and Spanish to our students allows us to introduce them to the French and Spanish language and culture. It also broadens their horizons to understand and appreciate people from different countries and cultures.

We aim to promote an atmosphere of tolerance and a curiosity about different countries, their language and their people as well as to encourage a love of learning languages as a means of communication.

Learning a language enhances our students' understanding of their own language, improves thinking skills and develops self-confidence.

KS3 French and Spanish

In Years 7-9, our students start with the basics of the language. As they move through the curriculum, they are introduced to grammatical concepts and useful vocabulary. The grammar and vocabulary are revisited on a regular basis in order to consolidate learning and to improve recall. By the end of Year 9, most students will have studied the past, present and future tenses, will be able to write in complex sentences and will be confident in their spoken language.

KS4 French and Spanish

In Years 10 and 11, we study the AQA syllabus for French and Spanish. The knowledge base gained during KS3 provides a solid foundation for the study of GCSE. We study familiar topics in greater depth and revisit grammatical concepts on a regular basis. Students will be entered either for the Foundation papers (Grades 5-1) or the Higher papers (Grades 9-5). A decision on level of entry will be taken after the mock exams in Year 11.

Topics covered in each year group

Year 7 French

Key Topics

Autumn 1 – Introducing myself

Autumn 2 – Talking about other people

Spring 1 – School

Spring 2 – Hobbies

Summer 1 – My town

Summer 2 - Holidays

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Year 8 Spanish
Autumn 1 – Family and Friends Autumn 2- My Town Spring 1 – Holidays Spring 2 – All about me Summer 1 – Food and Drink Summer 2 -Making Plans

Year 9 French
Autumn 1 – House and Home Autumn 2 – Talents and Ambitions Spring 1 & 2 – Family and Friends Summer 1 &2 – Free-time Activities

Year 10 Spanish
Autumn 1 & 2 Revision and Holidays Spring 1- School Spring 2- School/ Family and Friends Summer 1 Family and Friends Summer 2- Free-time activities

Year 11 French
Autumn 1 - School and Education Autumn 2 - Work and Future Plans Spring 1 - Environmental and Global issues Spring 2 – Revision and exam skills

Year 11 Spanish
Autumn 1 – Towns and Regions Autumn 2 – Spanish customs and celebrations / Work and Future Plans Spring 1 - Environmental and global issues Spring 2 – Revision and exam skills

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