

Blue Coat Church of England Academy

Year: 11 Subject: MFL - French

Overview

Students begin learning French in Year 7, and the first part of the course is spent ensuring that students have the essential survival vocabulary such as numbers, greetings and simple objects, and that they have a basic understanding of sentence formation in French. Students who have previously studied French in Primary School develop their knowledge further and apply their learning to new scenarios, songs and texts.

Throughout the course, students are trained to use "Mots Clés" (key words) that enable them to express themselves in a range of time frames and tenses, and to write more complex sentences using conjunctions and time phrases. In addition, spontaneous talk is encouraged through the use of Group Talk phrases which students can apply to a wide range of topics. This key language is taught initially in Year 7 and embedded all the way through the course so that students can react spontaneously in different scenarios with increasing fluency and confidence.

Independent study is taught explicitly, with students being trained to use dictionaries effectively, and vocabulary phrases being provided to allow students to access a wide range of language of their own choosing.

Term 1.1 Bon travail!

Students learn to talk about jobs, careers and the world of work. They discuss work experience placements and express their own hopes and ambitions for the future. They also learn to talk about the value of language-learning and how they earn money in their day-to-day life.

Assessment: reading, listening, speaking, writing

Term 1.2 Un oeil sur le monde

Students look at global issues including the environment, ethical shopping and volunteer work. They talk about climate and weather patterns, humanity's influence on the world around us and what they do on a personal level to help protect the earth for future generations.

Assessment: reading, listening, speaking, writing

Term 2.1 - 2.2

Revision and examination practice

Further Information

Please contact the Head of MFL if you require any further information about the foreign languages courses offered at Blue Coat Academy.

Useful websites for additional support

Name of website	Website Address	Useful for:
Linguascope:	www.linguascope.com (username and password available from MFL teachers)	revision of vocabulary
BBC Bitezsize	https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/z9dqxnb	exam practice questions
Language Gym	https://www.language-gym.com	grammar and verb conjugation
Duolingo	www.duolingo.com	vocabulary and word order
Activelearn	https://pearsonactivelearn.com/app/Home (username and password available from MFL teachers)	Revision of GCSE topics