Welcome to Year 12 French!

Type of course: 2 year linear (final exams in Y13) course with internal AS style exams/mocks in the spring/summer of Year 12..

Link to specification: https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-and-a-level/french-7652

Content of exams:

- **Paper 1** - Listening, Reading and Writing + Translation (English to French and French to English)
  - Based on all topics studied in Years 12 and 13
  - 2hrs 30 mins, 100 marks, worth 50% of A-Level
- **Paper 2** - Essay paper – written in French
  - 2 x essays: 1 x book and 1 x film (approx. 300 words each)
  - 2 hours, 80 marks, 20% of A-Level
  - Film to be studied (Y12) 'Entre les Murs"
  - Book to be studied (Y13) " l'étranger"
- **Paper 3** – Speaking
  - Detailed discussion of one topic card from all topics studied in Years 12 and 13
  - Presentation and discussion on Individual Research Project (IRP)
  - Max 21-23 minutes, 60 marks, 30% of A-Level
- Literature and Film

Year 12 topic content:

- La famille en voie de changement
- La cybersociété
- Le role du bénévelat
- Une culture fiere de son patrimoine
- La musique francophone contemporaine
- Cinéma
- Study of the Film

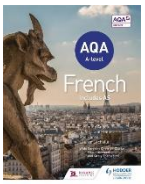
Year 13 topic content:

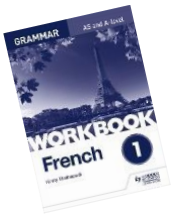
- Multi culturalism
- Integration
- Crime/Rehabilitation
- Politics
- Study of the book

You will need:

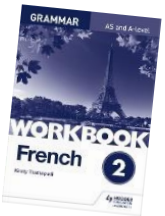
- A5 journal/notebook for vocabulary
- A4 lever arch file (big and tall)

- A4 loose leaf paper
- Set of at least 10 dividers.
- Textbook (can be second hand but make sure it's the correct edition): AQA French A Level Year 1 and AS.





- Grammar workbook You already have these grammar books and have already done work from them.



To do before term starts:

1 Grammar ***required learning*:**

Revise and be confident with the following grammar points:

- Present tense regular and irregular
- Perfect tense
- Imperfect tense
- Simple Future tense
- Near Future tense
- Conditional tense

- Conditional perfect tense
- Pluperfect tense
- Read up about the subjunctive mood and see if you can do some exercises to familiarise yourself with how that works and when it is used.
- Feel free to do as much grammar practice as you can as this will stand you in good stead for year 12.

You should review your GCSE notes and exercises but the following will also be helpful:

- www.languagesonline.org.uk
- BBC Bitesize French
- Seneca – Lots of grammar exercises to complete as a refresher.

2 Online learning – topic vocab, useful phrases + expressions

- Quizlet Y12 French
- Memrise Y12 French
- Duolingo Y12 French

Choose a selection of activities from each of the following categories

3 TV and Films to watch

Check out Netflix, amazon prime, you tube and so forth and choose television shows and films to watch in French.

4 Music, Books and Podcasts

- Discover French music on Spotify: https://open.spotify.com/user/goethe-institut
- Find a French song/band/artist you like and complete the gap fills until you can complete 'advanced' (or even 'expert'?!) https://lyricstraining.com/fr/
- You can access thousands of international newspapers and publications in many languages through the PressReader app for free.
- Find some French language podcasts that you enjoy and listen to them regularly.

5 News and current affairs

- News in French: https://open.spotify.com/show/4CAPKEyQ9KHtm9XEkjWHp3
- Start following at least 3 different French language news outlets on social media.
- Research: What are the political parties in France? Who are they led by? What do they stand for? What are the main political issues at the moment?

6 Social Media

- Start a collection of French language memes.
- Find out who the current social media influencers are in France and other Francophone countries.
- Follow a range of French social media accounts related to your own hobbies and interests.

7. Other ideas

- Find a French recipe and try it out
- Research a topic of your interest related to French or a French-speaking country and prepare a mini oral/online presentation about it
- Blog your summer, create memes, write a song, poem or story – get creative!
- Find your preferred online dictionary.
- Find a range of French language learning apps – Which would you recommend and why?
- Put your phone/tablet/gaming console into French.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact me via my school email and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Speak to you soon!
Miss Billington