

It may seem that everyone speaks English, but in fact 75% of the world's population doesn't. Languages are really important in the world we live in, and give you great skills for the rest of your life. Also, GCSE French is fun to learn. You will listen to current songs; watch TV and videos, read comics, poems and books, all in French!

The GCSE course in French will concentrate on three themes:

Theme 1 – Identity and culture

Topic 1: Me, my family and friends - relationships with family and friends, marriage/partnership

Topic 2: Technology in everyday life and leisure time - social media, mobile technology, film and TV, music and books

Topic 3: Customs and festivals in French-speaking countries/communities - special occasions, clothes and food

Theme 2 – Local, national, international and global areas of interest

Topic 1: Home, town, neighbourhood and region

Topic 2: Travel and Tourism

Topic 3: Social issues - charity/voluntary work, healthy/unhealthy living

Topic 4: Global issues - the environment, poverty/homelessness

Theme 3 – Current and future study and employment

Topic 1: My studies, life at school/college

Topic 2: Education post-16, talking about plans hopes and wishes

Topic 4: Jobs, career choices and ambitions

During the course, students will concentrate on the four areas of listening, speaking, reading and writing. At the end of the two-year linear course, the skills developed in these areas will be tested either at Foundation or Higher Level. GCSE French has a Foundation and Higher Tier.

Paper 1 - Listening 25% exam

Paper 2 - Speaking 25%

Role-play, discussion about photo cards and general conversation

Paper 3 - Reading 25% exam

Questions and a translation from French into English

Paper 4 - Writing 25% exam

Translation from English into French, structured writing task or open-ended writing task.

For further information please contact Mrs Stephenson.