

# FRENCH

**Qualification:** GCSE

**Suitable for:** Open to all students who have studied French in Years 7 -9.

**Outline of the course:** The course covers three contexts:

1. Identity and Culture
2. Local, national, international and global areas of interest
3. Current and future study and employment

The course enables you to develop your language skills in a variety of contexts and build on work already done at KS3. It also prepares you for further study at A Level and for the world of work. Multilingualism has become more than just 'important'. Knowing a foreign language other than your native language is extremely beneficial. Whether viewed from a financial or social point of view, being able to communicate in a foreign language helps to make 'real' connection with people and provides a better understanding of your own language.

In a cosmopolitan and multicultural world, languages are useful in all areas of work including travel, catering, the police, law, retail, medicine, journalism and ICT. The list is endless.

**Course Assessment:** Listening, speaking, reading, writing - all assessed by terminal examination, worth 25% each.

**Additional Information:** A qualification in a Modern Foreign Language is a key aspect of the EBacc suite of subjects and all students planning a future university education should consider studying a language at GCSE.

**Further Study:** A Level.

Increasingly Further Educational establishments are looking for students with a broad range of qualifications including a language at GCSE.

**Student Views:** *"French is challenging, but enjoyable because you learn a great deal from it."*