

## Year 7 French Curriculum Rationale

Provide students with a firm foundation of phonics, key vocabulary and grammar. As they become more confident, students will be able to become more ambitious with the language they can re-use and adapt to succeed in communicating key ideas and opinions relevant to their age, experience and interests.

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Topic 1: Tout sur moi.	<ul> <li>give simple greetings and answer the question "how are you"</li> <li>ask and give your name &amp; other people's names</li> <li>spell your name and ask for others' names</li> <li>communicate simple needs with the French teacher</li> <li>understand gender and use of indefinite article with name school items</li> <li>strategies for learning new words and phrases.</li> <li>understand classroom instructions in French</li> </ul>	Builds on knowledge of pronunciation, spelling and grammar patterns in English Leads to a firm foundation on which to add further vocabulary and grammatical structures, as well as being able to pronounce any new word using the pronunciation knowledge taught	Vocabulary tests Translation tests	Grammar terminology. Numbers introduced means opportunities to play numeracy games.	Connection finding between TL & French. Generalisation when applying patterns to new language. Precision with spelling of new vocabulary Meta-cognition – working out and applying new learning strategies with vocabulary learning Intellectual confidence by contributing confidently and with enthusiasm. Speed and accuracy with recall of new language  Hardworking through resilience – knowledge will not always stick first time Empathetic – we listen to others and support them when they make mistakes	Vocabulary learning Written tasks



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	<ul> <li>To be able to pronounce well in French with the help of a phonics</li> <li>say how old you are and ask others.</li> <li>To be able to count to 30+ and give the day and date</li> <li>say when your &amp; other people's birthday is and when you were born and ask others.</li> <li>Give age of others using various forms of verb "avoir".</li> <li>To use possessive pronouns correctly &amp; understand about possessive word order</li> <li>Give &amp; ask about others' town/village/countr</li> </ul>				development: Agile by adapting new knowledge to new contexts	enrichment
	y • say where you were born and say which					



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	language you speak and give your nationality.					
	• describe your appearance using					
	the verb avoir and your size using					
	"être" + adj endings					
	• describe yourself using adjectives					
	with agreement as appropriate & comparing to					
	others					
	• describe yourself in the past & present					
	using agreeing					
	adjectives, quantifiers &					
	adjectives of frequency					
Topic 2: Mes amis et ma famille	<ul> <li>say who is in your family</li> </ul>	Builds on knowledge of verb formation in	Vocabulary tests Translation tests	Grammar terminology.	Fluent thinking by using language from memory	Vocabulary learning Written tasks
	• Count to 100 and	French	Reading & Listening	PSHE –	Critical or logical thinking	
	give ages over 30. • describe someone	Leads to students	Assessment on all topics covered	discussion of the world around us	with spotting of patterns in the formation of the	
	• describe someone else's appearance	being able to use	lopics covered	and us as global	present tense	
	using the verb avoir	adjectives and		citizens, including	Intellectual playfulness	
		comparative in new		Christmas in the	with adapting patterns in	



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	<ul> <li>and their size using "être" + adj endings</li> <li>say what a good friend is, whether you have a best friend or lots of friends, how long you have known him / her /them</li> <li>To be able to describe other people using adjectives with agreement as appropriate and compare them to you</li> <li>To compare &amp; contrast Christmas traditions in France and the UK</li> </ul>	contexts and adapting previous language		French speaking world	the formation of the present tense to new verbs <b>Big Picture thinking</b> using the opinions from previous topic to this new topics <b>Self regulation</b> – being responsible for own revision and learning at home <b>Automaticity</b> with the present tense pattern becoming automatic for the 'yo' form  Hardworking through resilience – knowledge will not always stick first time Empathetic – we listen to others and support them when they make mistakes Agile by adapting new knowledge to new contexts	
Topic 3: mes passetemps	• give opinions on sport and compare	Builds on knowledge of tenses and that	Vocabulary tests Translation tests	Grammar terminology.	Complex Problem Solving & Strategy	Vocabulary learning Written tasks



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	<ul> <li>your opinions with others</li> <li>use jouer à' and 'faire de'</li> <li>say where, when and with whom you do sports</li> <li>talk about other hobbies, including winter sports and extreme sports</li> <li>say what you used to do and what you'd like to do</li> <li>say how you use technology - when and where you use it &amp; comparing my usage with my parent's</li> <li>understand how Easter is celebrated in France</li> <li>say what you are going to do using the immediate future</li> <li>tell the time using the 12 hour clock</li> </ul>	different tenses will have a different ending. Builds on knowledge of and use of opinions. Builds on knowledge of adjectives and they will have a different ending. Leads to students being able to use different tenses in new topics. Leads to students having a greater understanding of the French Speaking world that can be applied to new contexts	Reading & Listening Assessment on all topics covered	PSHE – discussion of the world around us and us as global citizens. Understand celebrations and festivals are different around the world	Planning by planning before starting written homework. Flexible thinking by thinking of alternative things to say that use the language taught Originality & Imagination by producing written work that reflects students own ideas and opinions  Hardworking through resilience – knowledge will not always stick first time Empathetic – we listen to others and support them when they make mistakes Agile by adapting new knowledge to new contexts	



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	• arrange to go out & turn down invitations and say why but suggest alternatives					