

Year 12 FRENCH

Overall Intent:

In Year 12, students study important aspects of French-speaking societies around the world. Alongside this detailed study, students receive a continuous and rigorous instruction in the key aspects of French grammar. This enables students to communicate with increasing confidence, spontaneity and accuracy in both oral and written work, as well as comprehend audio and written texts of greater complexity and sophistication. Students also study a French film. This will either be 'Un Long Dimanche de Fiançailles' which deals with the impact of World War 1 on the women of soldiers who committed treason by self-mutilation, or 'La Haine' which deals with racial tensions and the disenfranchisement of youth in Paris in the 1990s.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic/area of study	THE CHANGING NATURE OF FAMILY	THE 'CYBER-SOCIETY' THE PLACE OF VOLUNTARY WORK IN SOCIETY	CULTURAL HERITAGE IN THE FRENCH-SPEAKING WORLD CONTEMPORARY FRENCH-LANGUAGE MUSIC	CINEMA AS AN ART FORM	THE STUDY OF A FILM	COURSE REVIEW – PREPARATION FOR END OF YEAR EXAMS INDEPENDENT RESEARCH PROJECT
Key learning aims – knowledge and grammar skills	Key Knowledge: Students will learn about how the structure of families has changed. This will involve the study of how couples' lives have changed, same-sex families, single-parent families and blended families. Students will learn about the role grandparents play in families and will learn how to talk about generation gaps.	Key Knowledge: Students will learn about how technology benefits our everyday lives, the dangers of technology, and who uses technology. They will also learn about those who do volunteer work, what they do, what the benefits are for them and for those who they help. Key Grammar Skills: Students will develop their grammatical skills through the study of	Key Knowledge: Students will learn about cultural heritage at a national, regional and local level and the relationship between cultural heritage and tourism. They will also learn about the diversity of French-speaking music, who are the listeners of this music and how it can be protected in the future. Key Grammar Skills: Students will develop their	Key Knowledge: Students will learn about the importance of cinema in the French-speaking world, how the art form has evolved since its inception and the role it plays in modern society. Key Grammar Skills: Students will develop their grammatical skills through the study of infinitive constructions, si clauses (pluperfect + conditional perfect),	Key Knowledge: Students will study a film, focusing on its context, the plot, characters, key themes, cinematic techniques. The film studied will either be 'Un Long Dimanche de Fiançailles' (directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet) or 'La Haine' (directed by Mathieu Kassovitz). Which film is studied will depend on the nature and interests of the group.	Students will prepare for their end of year exams by reviewing content from throughout year 12. Following completion of the exams, they will begin their own independent study for their research project. Through this, they will develop research skills.

	Key Grammar Skills: Students will develop their grammatical skills through the study of the imperfect, perfect and past historic tenses.	infinitive constructions, the present tense of regular and irregular verbs, object pronouns, temporal and causal connectives, si clauses (imperfect + conditional) and the future tense.	grammatical skills through the study of adjectives, including comparatives and superlatives, si clauses (present + future), the subjunctive, question forms, command forms, the conditional tense.	the subjunctive (a more in-depth study).		
Key learning aims - skills	Throughout the course, students will develop skills in reading comprehension, oral communication, summarising, listening comprehension, accurate translation from French to English and from English to French, analysis of themes, written communication.					
Assessment	AP1: Assessment testing reading and translation into English	AP2: Assessment testing reading and translation into French	AP3: Assessment testing listening and speaking	AP4: Assessment testing reading and listening	AP5: Assessment testing essay writing	Year 12 mock exam testing all skills covered during the course