

French – KS3 Curriculum Summary (2023-2024)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 7: Me, My family & Friends	MYSELF Learning how to pronounce key French sounds Meeting & greeting people Saying your name Counting up to 31 Saying your age and your birthday Saying the date Talking about the weather (basic) Meeting & greeting people GRAMMAR: Notion of grammatical gender and number. « Avoir » in the present tense. Understanding infinitives.	MYSELF Talking about siblings Describing a classroom Talking about likes and dislikes Describing yourself and others Saying what you do GRAMMAR: Use of « nepas » to make a verb negative. Introduce possessive adjectives. Definite (le, la, les, l') and Indefinite (un, une, des) articles. « Être » and « Faire » in the present tense. Hard Thinking: adjective agreement + position in the sentence / teach yourself the present tense of regular « er » verbs -> « Aimer » in the present tense.	SCHOOL Telling the time Talking about school subjects Talking about what you wear to school Talking about your school day GRAMMAR: Revise how to agree adjectives. Telling the time (12h clock). « Porter » + « Ne pas porter de » in the present tense. Using adjectives after nouns. Hard Thinking: liaison	SCHOOL Learning about a typical French school Say what there is/isn't Agreeing and disagreeing GRAMMAR: More opinions with quantifiers. More « er » verbs: « détester, porter, jouer, écouter, chanter, commencer». « Il y a » in the positive and negative form.	FREE TIME Talking about sports Talking about activities Discovering sports in French-speaking countries GRAMMAR: Weather: revise « II y a » and « II fait». « Jouer à ». « Faire » in the present tense. Cognates. More opinions with quantifiers. Hard Thinking: « jouer à » vs « faire du ».	FREE TIME Talking about what you like doing Creating an interview with a celebrity GRAMMAR: « Aimer » + the infinitive. Hard Thinking: forming and answering questions.

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	AT HOME AND MY DAY	MY DAY AND IN TOWN	IN TOWN	LEISURE	LEISURE	LEISURE IN PAST TENSE
Year 8: Home, Town & Free Time	Where people live (« je/tu » with « habiter ») Naming rooms and floors in my house (more practice of « habiter ») Naming furniture in my bedroom (simple prepositions to say where)	What we do in the evening (the pronoun « on » to say "we") Telling the time (pronouns «ils/elles » to say "they") Places in a town (« Est-ce qu'il y a? » to ask a question)	Asking for directions (understanding when to use « tu /vous ») Saying "I am at" and "I am going to" (prepositions « à la / à l' / au / aux ») Expressing my opinions (more practice with « à la / à l' / au / aux ») Plans to go out (« je vais aller » and « je voudrais aller »)	Ordering drinks and snacks (practising numbers 1-99 in Euro prices) Sports and games (« jouer + à la/à l' au/aux ») Musical instruments («jouer + de la/de l'/du/des »)	What I like to do (« aimer + infinitive ») What we can do at the leisure centre (« on peut + infinitive ») Going on holiday (« aller + infinitive »)	Events in the past tense (and using the passé composé) What I did with my friends (and using the perfect tense with –er verbs) Preparing for my French trip (and taking part in trip to France)
Year 9: Family, Home, Free Time, Holidays	Talking about families (all 6 parts of –er verbs) The jobs people do (« être », « ne pas » and masc/fem jobs) Where people live (« depuis » to say "how long for")	PAMILY & HOME Describing the weather (« on va » and the connectives « quand/si ») Describing a typical day in someone else's life (—ir, -re and irregular verbs) FREE TIME Last weekend (writing in the perfect tense using « avoir » + regular —er verbs)	Yesterday evening (writing in the perfect tense using « avoir » + irregular –er verbs) Talking about TV programmes I have watched (giving past tense opinions using « c'était »)	Talking about where I went (writing in the perfect tense using « être ») Talking about past events (extending and linking sentences) TRAVEL AND HOLIDAYS Countries and languages (the prepositions «à» and «en») Talking about holidays (asking questions using question words) Describing a holiday centre (giving opinions)	TRAVEL AND HOLIDAYS A past holiday (+ future holiday) (practice of perfect & near future) Disastrous holidays (writing in the perfect tense) FRIENDS AND PLANS My friends («notre » and « nos » to say "our") Pocket money («j'ai besoin de» to say "I need") Gadgets and devices (practice with comparative and superlative adjectives)	Reading & writing in the present, past, future (more practice with the 3 main time frames) Expressing hopes & wishes for the future (more practice with various verbs + infinitive)