

Chellaston Academy

French Year 7 Curriculum

Intent

We aim to deliver a Year 7 French curriculum which is accessible to all students, irrespective of starting points, where students will start to understand the importance of learning about other countries and other cultures. Students will start to build confidence with the four language learning skills (writing, speaking, reading and listening) through a range of exercises provided for them. We will provide opportunities for our students to appreciate the similarities and differences between different cultures and start to break down some of the stereotypes that can exist. We hope to equip our students with the skills needed for the world of work. This should lead to a respect for all through a deeper compassion and empathy with different identities. We hope that students will enjoy their French lessons, learning about the language and the culture.

Implementation

We want to develop independent learners; students will be inquisitive in the way that they learn about other languages and how to equip themselves with the skills which build resilience. We will give students the opportunity to work on their own, in pairs and in groups. We expect students to respect and then understand the cultural differences that exist in our world. We also expect students to facilitate the learning of others by contributing to class discussions, group tasks and work in a productive and ambitious manner. We will provide structure and frameworks to support students in the development of their 4 language learning skills providing balance across the 4 skills and ensuring learning is differentiated to enable all students to make excellent progress. Accuracy and attention to detail (no matter which level pupils are working at) are important to us and will become more refined as students grow in confidence. All learners will have access to quality first teaching which adopts a consistent approach to lesson delivery and utilises common resources. Students will be given home learning activities to promote supported self-study. Long term memory will be developed through retrieval practice and knowledge organisers.

Impact

Language learning skills will enable students to succeed in later life and they will start to understand how the skills they are learning in the French curriculum link to potential future careers and/or skills that they will need in their chosen profession. We will enable our students to be the best versions of themselves through understanding and appreciating differences in other cultures. Regular assessments will take place in year 7 to check on students' progress. These will identify where students are experiencing success and where the curriculum may need to be adjusted. Students will move into year 8 as more confident linguists who have made good progress towards their end of Key Stage academic targets.

Links to prior learning

The year 7 curriculum builds on the language skills learned in KS2 by consolidating and reinforcing the vocab and skills that they have covered. Students will revisit some of the grammatical differences that exist between the two languages. They will also revisit the vocab covered in KS2 but will do so using all 4 language learning skills.

Links to future learning

The Year 7 Curriculum introduces some crucial grammar points that underpin a lot of the work that is covered again both within the rest of the KS3 curriculum but also within Key Stage 4 and 5. Students will cover vocabulary and grammar points that will be important throughout their language learning at Chellaston. The understanding and learning of these elements will be reinforced and revisited in the Key Stage 3 curriculum, where learners will be encouraged to build on these basics and work with more complexity and yet still maintain the accuracy in their work.

Links to other subjects and the wider curriculum

The year 7 curriculum links to other subjects through developing a broad awareness and understanding



of the wider curriculum. The development of students' oracy and their writing skills will link in with the work done in other subjects. Attention to detail and the development of resilience, when work isn't immediately understandable, are again skills that can help students across the wider Chellaston curriculum.



Topics

Autumn 1	Autumn 1 – Personal Information			Home Learning		
Reading Information Retrieval Translation skills Speaking Regular sound patterns Developing confidence to speak out loud				Vocab learning Grammar exercises testing understanding Written pieces working on developing accuracy Online web-based content exercises		
opics covere	ed in Unit 1					
	Introduce your	self				
•	Say where you der)	live, what languages y	you speak and your nationalit	y (understanding gen-		
•	Learn numbers	(1-31) and the month	and the months of the year			
•	Describe your a	appearance and that o	ance and that of another person			
•	European Day o	of Langs	s our favourite object – use of préféré			
•	Name and desc	ribe your favourite ol				
•	Name some Fre	ench-speaking parts o	peaking parts of the world			
•	Grammar, lang	uage strategies and p	ronunciation			
•	Reinforcement sion and assess		ng material; activities based o	n video material; revi-		
Assessment Eng	Reading - Loo	ger written piece / Tra k at a range of readin ter Unit 1 and 2	inslation Eng to Fre g texts and retrieve informati	on / Translation Fre to		
Wider curricu	llum					
Literacy Numeracy British Values Employ • Reading/writing skills Numbers 1-30 • respect and tolerance of others •			Employability • cultural s understanding			

• verbal



			 communication listening carefully attention to detail selecting key information
 SMSC cultural similarities and differences French speaking parts of the world. 	Cultural Capital Developing academic language (nouns / verbs / gender etc)	 Character Education Resilience to complete a task Working independently Participation 	Personal Development Taking responsibility for learning

Autumn 2 – Personality, Fan	Home Learning	
Reading Information Retrieval Translation skills Speaking Regular sound patterns Developing confidence to speak of loud	Writing Attention to detail Basic translation Listening Information retrieval Awareness of different phonics	Vocab learning Grammar exercises testing understanding Written pieces working on developing accurac Web based online learning
Talk about family mChristmas in FranceGive opinions of sch	nality (gender aware) embers and friends (3 rd person descriptic ool subjects – written and orally accurate e; compare yourself now with how you us	e
	0	rmation /



Wider curriculum			
 Reading/writing skills 	Numeracy • Intro to time with school subjects 1-30 (recap)	 British Values Tolerance of differences 	Employability cultural understanding verbal communication listening carefully attention to detail selecting key information
 SMSC Schools in France vs England 	Cultural Capital Developing academic language	 Character Education Resilience to complete a task Working independently Participation Developing confidence 	Personal Development Taking responsibility for own learning.



Spring 1 –	School system / Typ	es of housing / animals (domestic	Home Learning	
and wild) Reading		Writing	Vocab learning	
Recognition phrases Information	of pre-learnt tense Retrieval	Linking sentences into paragraphs Attention to detail Writing in the 1 st and 3 rd person	Grammar exercises – adjective endings and word order	
Answering ba Awareness o rules	basic questions asic questions f some pronunciation mark scheme	Listening Information retrieval Recognition of different tenses	Learning question words Preparing answers to basic questions Covered	
			Online web based learning	
Topics covere	d in Unit 3			
•	Talk about school (size opinion)	and opinions) and where you live (house	e / location / country /	
•	Talk about different pl	aces to live		
•	La Chandaleur			
•	Talk about leisure activ	vities (two verb sentences / one verb sent	ences)	
•	Describe personal poss	sessions (use of possessives and gender)		
•	Describe animals (dom	nestic and zoo animals) (colours – adjectiv	ve agreement)	
•	Say what animals you (phrases)	used to have / would like (intro Je voudra	is and j'avais as set	
Assessment	• ·	T THE END OF UNIT 4 recorded listening texts requiring student fferent questions (multiple choice / open		
Wider curricu		written piece to cover work in units 3 and	d 4.	
		Deitich Voluce	Employability	
Literacy Oracy and liste skills	Numeracy ening Cardinal vs or numbers	British Values rdinal	Employability • cultural understanding	



			 verbal communication listening carefully attention to detail selecting key information
SMSC	Cultural Capital	Character Education	Personal Development
Types of housing in	Developing academic	Working under pressure	Understanding how
France	language	Express oneself	you work under
La Chandaleur		Courage	pressure

Spring 2 / Summer 1 – Food a	nd Drink	Home Learning
Reading Information retrieval Conditional tense – Je voudrais Recognising negatives Speaking Recap on speaking questions covered Continued recognition of sound patterns	Writing Writing in paragraphs Including more complexity in writing Attention to detail Listening Information retrieval Recognise negatives Change of subject	Vocab learning Grammar exercises testing understanding Written pieces work- ing on developing accuracy Translation practice Online web based learning
 Give opinions and justified o 	eat and drink at different mealtimes pinions on food and drink	
 Easter in France Say what you can and can't e Understand use of du / de la 	-	
 Order food and drink in a cat Recognise a range of quantit 	-	
Use numbers above 40Read basic recipes		



Assessment - TO BE COMPLETED AT THE END OF UNIT 4

Listening - comprehension and translations

Writing – longer written piece

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Literacy Reading/writing skills	Numeracy	British Values	Employability cultural understanding verbal communication listening carefully attention to detail selecting key information
SMSC French breakfast items Easter in France	Cultural Capital Developing academic language	Character Education Development of independent skills Working under assessment pressure Motivation	Personal Development

Summer 1 / Summer 2– Pla in town	Home Learning	
Reading Information Retrieval Recognising negatives Tense recognition Speaking	Writing 2 verb sentences Attention to detail Writing in paragraphs Range of vocab and variety of phrase Listening	 Vocab learning Writing about the town you live in. Writing about what you can
Asking for directions Giving directions Saying what there is and isn't where you live.	Understanding a description of a town (including negatives) Understanding activities in a town.	 Preparing the answers to more basic questions



Unit 5 topics

- Describe a town expanding vocab (gender awareness / negative sentences
- Activities in town modal verb use with infinitives
- Adjective position and agreement
- Prepositions and the importance of gender
- Role playing with confidence asking and giving directions

Assessment End of year assessment

Speaking – conversation based on the units covered across the year. Listening – range of questions and exercises stretching the most able and supporting supporting the least – covering all 5 units covered

Wider curriculum

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Literacy	Numeracy	British Values	Employability
Oracy skills	Higher numbers 1-60		 cultural
			understanding
			 verbal
			communication
			 listening
			carefully
			 attention to
			detail
			 selecting key
			information
SMSC	Cultural Capital	Character Education	Personal Development
French pastimes	Developing academic	Courage	
	language	Resilience	How do I cope under
		Ability to express oneself	pressure
		Speaking assessment –	
		working under pressure	

Summer 2 – Review of Year 7 units cov	Home Learning	
Reading	Writing	Grammar exercises
Retrieval skills Reading for gist	Attention to detail Paragraph writing	Vocab learning
Question types – strengths and weaknesses Negatives	Showing off Translation	Writing in paragraphs
Translation		Recording yourself speak
Speaking Question recognition Answering basic questions	Listening Retrieval skills Listening for gist	Translation skills

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Pronunciation skills		Tense recognition	
Developing an answer		_	
past the minimum requ	lirement		
Learning context			
students to reflect on the vocab that they have cov	work that they have done, re ered and to look at the skills t look at some of the cultural e		
Assessment N/A	,		
Wider curriculum			
Literacy	Numeracy	British Values	Employability
Reading, writing and	1-60 recap	Tolerance of difference in	Covers a whole host of
Oracy skills		other cultures	skills covered in units 1-
			5
SMSC	Cultural Capital	Character Education	Personal Development
Cultural similarity and			
difference	Developing academic	Covered in the previous	Covered in previous
	language	units	units

