

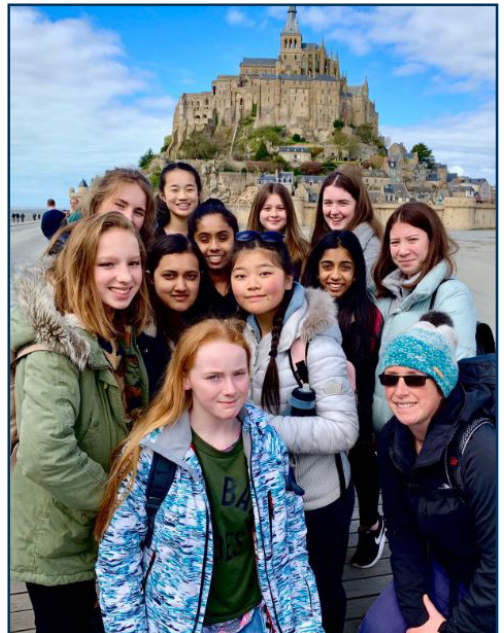
French

Key Stage 3

In Key Stage 3, whilst also studying German or Spanish, pupils explore the French language and can expect to cover a wide variety of topics in a Francophone context; family, food, everyday life, use of technologies and education.

At the core of our curriculum is the residential visit to Normandy in northern France in Year 8. Pupils will experience first-hand linguistic and cultural immersion through our cross-curricular itinerary of visits. This prepares them for the choices ahead and the challenges of Year 9, which acts as a bridging year in their transition to GCSE.

“I would say I am quite sociable, so languages give me the ability to be sociable with the whole world.”



“Whenever I step into a languages lesson I instantly feel on holiday; that’s why I love languages: it transports you into another world. It’s as if you become a different person.”



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Key Stage 4

Key Stage 4 represents a crucial step in the students' linguistic journey. All students will study at least one Modern Foreign Language at GCSE.

Studying French will provide the opportunity to delve deeper into the language and culture whilst equipping students with vital communications skills for an increasingly interconnected world.

The Language Leaders and Erasmus+ programmes offer leadership and travel opportunities to enhance their portfolio. Our homestay residential to Montpellier is an immersive and intensive experience, which will boost students' speaking confidence and competence.



“With languages you can travel and meet new people from different cultures. The key to any relationship is communication so I think languages are absolutely essential.”

Key Stage 5

A Level study is the culmination of a linguist's High School experience as students further explore into the culture, history and current affairs of the French-speaking world.

Students are encouraged to develop their independence by completing a work experience programme in France. The Individual Research Project allows girls to investigate a cultural topic of their choice in depth while gaining essential study skills to prepare them for higher education.

Set cultural works, such as films and books, are also studied to give a rounded appreciation of French society.



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