Curriculum Intent, Implementation and Impact

Subject: AQA GCSE French

Year group: Year 10

Periods per fortnight: 5

INTENT:

Our vision in The Buckingham School MFL Department is that all students develop the skills and confidence to belong in a multicultural, mutually respectful world. We aim to inspire our students to have a love of languages by nurturing a linguistic curiosity to explore and respect other cultures and people.

We aim to ensure that all students:

- Understand and respond to spoken and written language from a variety of authentic sources.
- Speak with increasing confidence, fluency and spontaneity, finding ways of communicating what they want to say, including through discussion and asking questions, and continually improving the accuracy of their pronunciation and intonation.
- Can write at varying length, for different purposes and audiences, using the variety of grammatical structures that they have learnt.
- Discover and develop an appreciation of a range of writing in the language studied.
- Can access, be motivated and engaged in their own language learning.

The curriculum is designed to ensure that all four skills of Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing are covered in every module and opportunities to revisit key skills, in different ways, are built in to students' learning journeys.

Grammar is the foundation for building language skills. Learning grammar enables students to speak and write more accurately, confidently and fluently. Consequently, grammar skills are taught explicitly through every module of work, and regularly revisited; emphasis is on equipping students with the linguistic skills to unpick and decode unfamiliar language.

Students need to be resilient language learners. Within the MFL classroom, we consistently emphasise that it is ok to make mistakes. We believe where students learn is in deciding how they move on from these errors. This open environment allows students to grow in confidence and not feel intimidated in speaking out in front of the class. Opportunities for reflection are built in at regular intervals, and the curriculum is designed to build students' independence.

We believe that speaking the language throughout lessons is key to success. We aim to challenge our students by using a high ratio of target language. We endeavour to expose students to authentic language use in real and practical situations which emphasise the value of language as a communication tool. Using the target language ensures that students are hearing authentic language each time they are in the MFL classroom and by immersing them in the target language we aim to help them use it more independently which will lead to increased confidence and wider vocabulary.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Term	Topics studied	Extended learning opportunities	How parents could support students
Autumn	Studio Foundation/Higher	A range of the following as	Support with learning key
Term	Module 1 - Qui suis-je? (GCSE theme:	appropriate linked to	vocabulary
	Identity and culture)	content:	
	Point de départ 1		Encourage to explore
	Revising family and describing people	Vocabulary Learning	language apps like
	Point de départ 2		duolingo
	Revising places in town, activities and times	Creative Tasks	

	Unité 1 Talking about friends and what makes a good friend	Grammar Tasks	Encourage to do speaking practice to build confidence
	Unité 2	Speaking Exam preparation	Provide GCSE Revision
	Talking about family relationships Unité 3 Making arrangements to go out	Reading authentic and cultural texts	Guides and Grammar Workbooks
	Unité 4 Describing a day out	Translation Tasks	Ensure students have
	Unité 5 Discussing role models	Extended Writing Tasks	dictionaries, verb books and access to internet
	End of Module Assessments	Authentic Videos	Ensure HW deadlines are
	Listening/Reading/Speaking/ Writing practice Past Paper exam practice R+L	Online activities ACTIVELEARN	met
	Writing Exam – GCSE Format	Authentic News Articles –	
	Studio Foundation/Higher Module 2 – Le temps de loisirs (GCSE	1jour1actu.com	
	theme: Identity and culture) Point de départ 1	Extended projects	
	Revising leisure activities Point de départ 2 Revising films and going to the cinema	Primary school trip locally to teach primary pupils French	
	Unité 1 Talking about sport Unité 2	French Trip opportunity - Paris or Normandy	
	Talking about using technology Unité 3		
	Discussing reading habits and music Unité 4		
	Talking about television programmes Unité 5		
	Talking about a night out with friends		
	End of Module Assessments Listening/Reading/Speaking/		
	Writing practice Reading and Listening Exam practice		
Spring	Speaking Mock Exam GCSE format Studio Foundation/Higher	A range of the following as	Support with learning key
Term	Module 3 – <i>Jour ordinaires, jours de fête</i> (GCSE theme: Identity and culture)	appropriate linked to content:	vocabulary
	Point de départ 1 Talking about food and meals Point de départ 2	Vocabulary Learning	Encourage to explore language apps like duolingo
	Discussing clothes and what to wear Unité 1	Creative Tasks	Encourage to do speaking
	Describing your daily life Unité 2	Grammar Tasks	practice to build confidence
	Shopping for clothes Unité 3	Speaking Exam preparation	Provide GCSE Revision
	Describing festivals and traditions Unité 4	Reading authentic and cultural texts	Guides and Grammar Workbooks
	Talking about shopping for a special meal <i>Unité 5</i>	Translation Tasks	Ensure students have
	Describing family celebrations	Extended Writing Tasks	dictionaries, verb books and access to internet
	Studio Foundation/Higher Module 4 – De la ville à la campagne (GCSE	Authentic Videos	Ensure HW deadlines are met
	theme: Local, national, international and global areas of interest)	Online activities ACTIVELEARN	
	Point de départ 1 Talking about where you live and what you can do there Point de départ 2	Authentic News Articles – 1jour1actu.com	
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	Revising places in a town and asking the way Unité 1	Extended projects	
	Describing a region	Primary school trip locally	
	Unité 2	to teach primary pupils French	
	Finding out tourist information <i>Unité</i> 3	French	
	Discussing plans and the weather	French Trip opportunity -	
	Unité 4	Paris or Normandy	
	Talking about your town, village or		
	neighbourhood		
	End of Module Assessments		
	Listening/Reading/Speaking/		
	Writing practice Past Paper exam practice R+L		
	Speaking Mock Exam – GCSE Format		
Summer	Chudia Fauradation/Llimbar	A range of the following as	Support with learning key
Term	Studio Foundation/Higher Module 5 – Le grand large (GCSE	appropriate linked to content:	vocabulary
	theme: Local, national, international and		Encourage to explore
	global areas of interest)	Vocabulary Learning	language apps like duolingo
	Point de départ 1	Creative Tasks	
	Talking about what you normally do on holiday	Grammar Tasks	Encourage to do speaking practice to build
	Unité 1	Grammar rasks	confidence
	Dealing with a hotel stay	Speaking Exam preparation	Provide GCSE Revision
	Unité 2	Reading authentic and	Guides and Grammar
	Talking about travelling Unité 3	cultural texts	Workbooks
	Saying what you do and did on holiday Unité 4	Translation Tasks	Ensure students have dictionaries, verb books
	Ordering in a restaurant	Extended Writing Tasks	and access to internet
	Unité 5	Authentic Videos	Ensure HW deadlines are
	Talking about holiday disasters	Online activities	met
	End of Module Assessments	Online activities ACTIVELEARN	
	Listening/Reading/Speaking/ Writing practice	Authentic News Articles –	
	Reading and Listening Exam practice	1jour1actu.com	
	GCSE format Writing Exam	Extended projects	
	End of Year Assessments MOCK exams in	Extended projects	
	Listening/Reading/Writing Past Papers	Primary school trip locally	
		to teach primary pupils French	
		French Trip opportunity -	
		Paris or Normandy	
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IMPACT:

Key Assessment Points.

Students will be assessed to prove that they have understood and can apply what has been taught each full term. Students will be tested using cumulative GCSE exam style assessments in all 4 skill areas of Listening, Reading, Speaking and Writing over each KS4 year.

GCSE Mock Speaking exams held at key points throughout KS4 are essential in building student's confidence and success in this challenging skill.

Each student will be graded in each of the skill areas as at GCSE where each skill is 25% of the overall grade awarded.

This approach enables students to confidently be GCSE Exam ready when they reach the end of KS4. In addition, students will be ready to continue their language learning into KS5.