French

Long-term plan

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Suggested long-term plan: French

Overview (All year groups)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 3	Unit 1: French greetings with puppets	Unit 2: French adjectives of colour, size and shape	Unit 3: French playground games – numbers and age	Unit 4: In a French classroom	Unit 5: French transport	Unit 6: A circle of life in French
Year 4	Unit 1: Portraits – describing in French	Unit 2: Clothes – getting dressed in France	Unit 3: French numbers, calendars and birthdays	Unit 4: French weather and the water cycle	Unit 5: French food – Miam, miam !	Unit 6: French and the Eurovision Song Contest
Year 5	Unit 1: French monster pets	Unit 2: Space exploration – in French	Unit 3: Shopping in France	Unit 4: French-speaking world	Unit 5: Verbs in a French week	Unit 6: Meet my French family
Year 6	Unit 1: French sport and the Olympics	Unit 2: French football champions	Unit 3: In my French house	Unit 4: Planning a French holiday	Unit 5: Visiting a town in France	**Coming soon!**

Suggested long-term plan: French

Overview - Lower key stage 2

Year 3

Autumn 1	Unit 1: French greetings with puppets 4 lessons Using puppets to practise a variety of French greetings and learning how to introduce themselves. Choosing the correct greeting based on the time of day and asking someone how they are.	**Autumn 2**	Unit 2: French adjectives of colour, size and shape 5 lessons Describing shapes using adjectives of colour and size, learning the position of adjectives relative to the noun; noting cognates, practising language skills and developing confidence through games and creating animal and Christmas artworks inspired by the cut-outs of French artist, Henri Matisse.
Spring 1	Unit 3: French playground games – numbers and age 5 lessons This KS2 unit sees children count in French from one to twelve, recognise the written number words, ask how old someone is and answer the same question, comparing sentence structures in French and English, and practising all the vocabulary by playing counting and some traditional French games.	**Spring 2**	Unit 4: In a French classroom 5 lessons Responding to common classroom instructions through games. Learning vocabulary for classroom items. Understanding that every French noun is either ‘masculine’ or ‘feminine.’

Year 3

Summer 1	Unit 5: French transport 5 lessons Using their detective skills to spot cognates and working out meaning, children learn new transport-related vocabulary and construct sentences using parts of the verb 'aller' – to go, and prepositions to express going on holiday to a different country or going to school by a particular mode of transport. The children discover that French is spoken in many countries around the world other than France.	**Summer 2**	Unit 6: A circle of life in French 5 lessons Using their dictionary skills to develop their animal vocabulary and habitat names. Building sentences and completing food chains to apply this vocabulary in writing. This unit has cross-curricular links with Science.

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Overview - Lower key stage 2

Year 4

Autumn 1	Unit 1: Portraits – describing in French 5 lessons Learning adjectives for describing people's physical appearance and their personality. Creating simple sentences ensuring that the adjectives agree with the gender of the noun.	**Autumn 2**	Unit 2: Clothes – getting dressed in France 5 lessons Learning vocabulary to describe items of clothing, along with the different forms of the indefinite article. Incorporating previous learning about colour into their descriptions of clothing and recapping the concept of adjectival agreement. Expressing their opinions about outfits in French.
Spring 1	Unit 3: French numbers, calendars and birthdays 5 lessons Children learn French numbers 1-31, the days of the week, months of the year, dates and seasons through maths and songs and class surveys; they research of dates of French festivals and revise the unit by having a traditional French birthday celebration in the classroom.	**Spring 2**	Unit 4: French weather and the water cycle 5 lessons Learning phrases to describe the weather and vocabulary for the compass points; counting from 1-100 in multiples of ten; combining this knowledge to make statements about what the temperature is in different parts of France and to deliver a weather forecast. The unit culminates in a French science lesson, where the children explore the water cycle and recognise scientific cognates.

Year 4

Summer 1	Unit 5: French food – Miam, miam ! 5 lessons French food, cafés, ordering and menus -'Yum Yum'- or 'Miam, Miam' ! This unit introduces food vocabulary and revises numbers to 100, this time in the context of money and prices. The unit encourages children to develop their language detective skills and confidence with practical conversational French.	**Summer 2**	Unit 6: French and the Eurovision Song Contest 5 lessons Using the concept of the Eurovision Song Contest to inspire pupils when writing original songs in French, using vocabulary from years 3 and 4, including rhyming sounds. Learning additional music vocabulary and expanding their knowledge of the French names of European countries. Exploring new sentence constructions to talk about playing an instrument and expressing likes and dislikes about different styles of music.

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Overview - Upper key stage 2

Year 5

Autumn 1	Unit 1: French monster pets 5 lessons Reviewing noun gender, article-noun agreement and adjective placement while exploring monster and body part vocabulary; identifying key facts using cognates and other language detective skills; writing and presenting paragraphs about a 'Fantastic French beast' creation.	**Autumn 2**	Unit 2: Space exploration – in French 5 lessons Developing listening and language detective skills through a space theme; using figurative language and developing sentence structure by adding adjectives and prepositions; making simple adjectival comparisons.
Spring 1	Unit 3: Shopping in France 5 lessons Pupils learn to construct high numbers in French, develop food-related vocabulary through games, stories and role-play and build on their understanding of sentence structures, questions and phrases, equipping themselves with language they could use when shopping in France. They also develop their language detective skills, facing an entirely unfamiliar authentic French text.	**Spring 2**	Unit 4: French-speaking world 5 lessons Discovering the many French-speaking countries, giving and following directions in French and discussing climate using comparative language.

Year 5

Summer 1	Unit 5: Verbs in a French week 5 lessons Pupils identify the infinitive form of verbs, and subject pronouns, then group French verbs into -er, -ir and -re categories before learning the -er regular verb endings, practising with a set of regular action verbs; they discover that not all verbs are regular and learn the foundation verbs 'avoir' and 'être', and finally produce a short piece of creative writing to demonstrate their learning, which they present to the class.	**Summer 2**	Unit 6: Meet my French family 5 lessons This unit draws on vocabulary and grammar learned in Years 3, 4 and 5, introduces family and relations vocabulary, the possessive adjective, my, and how to express likes and dislikes. The children learn that they can compose a written composition by recycling and re-ordering known words and phrases and the unit culminates in pupils producing a piece of written work, in French, describing members of a family, their looks, their ages, their birthdays and their likes and dislikes.

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Year 6

Autumn 1	Unit 1: French sport and the Olympics 5 lessons Conjugating the verb aller – to go, identifying correct prepositions, learning sports vocabulary, expressing preferences plus the infinitive; revisiting nouns for countries and learning how to contract articles when using the verb faire.	**Autumn 2**	Unit 2: French football champions 5 lessons Practising language-learning strategies; developing reading, speaking and listening skills through a football-related theme; responding to questions about football players; writing football player profiles in French.
Spring 1	Unit 3: In my French house 5 lessons Pupils learn how to describe a house, the different rooms and who lives there. They also learn about prepositions to explain where items are arranged in their bedrooms and consolidate the grammar and vocabulary they have learned by writing a letter to describe their family, home and bedroom.	**Spring 2**	Unit 4: Planning a French holiday 5 lessons The children learn to use a combination of present and near-future tenses, and become familiar with holiday-related vocabulary around packing a suitcase and planning a journey. They explore which countries they might visit and why and ultimately research and plan a holiday to France.

Year 6

Summer 1	Unit 5: Visiting a town in France 5 lessons Learning directional, transport and town vocabulary together with prepositional phrases, the children describe their journey to school, plan a trip to France and become tourist guides, giving reasoned opinions on which places in town to visit; finally the children create a tourist leaflet, in French, for their own local area.	**Summer 2**	