

FRENCH

Pupil year: **Lower 4 (Yr 8)**

Head of Department: **Mr D O'Neill**

SUBJECT OVERVIEW

In Lower 4 we provide opportunities for girls to develop and practise the range and complexity of their French enabling them to talk about themselves, their family and friends, town, school and daily routine as well as discovering the French geography and school system.

Subject Topic

- Describing yourself and your relationship with family and friends.
- Describing where you live. Arranging a meeting. Expressing pros and cons of countryside vs town and environment issues.
- Discuss your daily routine, school subjects, school rules and looking at future plans.

Skills / Attitudes

- Learn to identify patterns in French.
- Develop techniques for memorizing words, phrases and spellings.
- Learn to use previous knowledge, context and other clues to work out the meaning of what we hear or read.
- Adapt language we already know in new contexts for different purposes.

Grammar

- The present tense in full including modal verbs and reflexive verbs
- Negatives
- Adjectival agreements
- The immediate future tense
- Prepositions
- Questions
- Comparatives

GERMAN

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SUBJECT OVERVIEW

Following on from our introductory course we offer a wide variety of activities to allow practice of the four skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. At the same time we learn to see patterns in the language and develop our understanding of German grammar.

Subject Topic

Autumn: Free time and hobbies
Home

Spring: Food and drink
Local area

Summer: Fashion and shopping
Going on a trip

Skills / Attitudes

- Learn to identify patterns in German.
- Develop techniques for memorising words, phrases and spellings.

Grammatical Focus

- Regular and irregular verbs in the present tense.
- Word order: inversion and subordinate clauses.
- The perfect tense.

SPANISH

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Following on from our introductory course, we study a variety of topics which allow us to practice listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. At the same time we learn to see patterns in the language and understand more Spanish grammar.

Subject Topic

- Talking about your school and your school subjects.
- A school day: your daily routine and telling the time.
- Talking about your house and its rooms.
- My town: giving and understanding directions.
- Talking about the weather.
- Leisure and freetime: talking about likes and dislikes.

Skills / Attitudes

- Learn to identify patterns in Spanish.
- Develop techniques for memorising words, phrases and spellings.
- Develop listening skills to identify key ideas in spoken Spanish.

Grammar

- Prepositions.
- Adjectives.
- Reflexive verbs in the present tense.
- The immediate future tense.