



French Curriculum overview

Kapow Primary offers full coverage of the KS2 Languages curriculum. We have categorised our content into five strands, with one overarching strand:

Speaking and pronunciation	Listening	Reading and writing	Grammar	Intercultural understanding
		Language detective skills		

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Key stage 2 - National Curriculum French subject content:	Kapow Primary's French strands	Kapow Primary's units				
Pupils should be taught to:		Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Listen attentively to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding	Speaking and pronunciation	French greetings with puppets	Portraits Clothes	Monster pets Space explorers	Sport and the Olympics French football	
explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words.	Listening	French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town	
Engage in conversations; ask and answer questions; express opinions and	Speaking and pronunciation	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town	
respond to those of others; seek clarification and help*	Listening					
Speak in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures develop accurate pronunciation and intonation so that others understand when they are reading aloud or using familiar words and phrases	Speaking and pronunciation Reading and writing	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town	

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Pupils should be taught to:	Straines	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Present ideas and information orally to a range of audience*	Speaking and pronunciation	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town	
Read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing	Reading and writing	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town	
Appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language	Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town	
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Pupils should be taught to:	30, 41,145	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words that are introduced into familiar written material, including through using a dictionary	Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world	Sport and the Olympics French football champions
including through using a dictionary	Listening	Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	A week in the life Meet the family	Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town
Write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to express ideas clearly	Grammar Reading and writing	In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town
Describe people, places, things and actions orally* and in writing	Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town
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		Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Understand basic grammar appropriate to the language being studied, including (where relevant): feminine, masculine and neuter forms and the conjugation of high frequency verbs; key features and patterns of the language; how to apply these, for instance, to build sentences; and how these differ from or are similar to English	Grammar	French greetings with puppets French adjectives of colour, size and shape Playground games In the classroom Transport Circle of life	Portraits Clothes Numbers, calendars and birthdays Weather and water cycle French food Eurovision	Monster pets Space explorers Shopping French speaking world A week in the life Meet the family	Sport and the Olympics French football champions Life at home Planning a holiday Visit to a town	

Year 3	Unit description Pupils will be	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:	In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular:
French greetings with puppets	Using puppets to learn how to introduce themselves, using appropriate greetings to say hello,	Reading and writing	Learning the formal and informal greetings for hello - salut and bonjour - and appropriate greetings for the time of day.	PSHE & RSE
(5 lessons)	good-bye and good night, and asking and answering the question,	Speaking and pronunciation	Learning how to say goodbye - au revoir.	
<u>Go to unit</u>	'how are you feeling?'.	Listening	Learning how to say their name using Je m'appelle.	
			Learning how to express their feelings in French and how to respond when asked how they are - Ça va?	
French adjectives of colour,	Describing shapes using adjectives of colour and size, learning the position of adjectives relative to the	Grammar	Learning colour in French and responding accurately to verbal instructions about organising colours.	Art
(5 lessons)	noun; noting cognates and creating animal and Christmas artworks	Reading and writing	Learning French words for size and shape adjectives.	
Go to unit	inspired by the cut-outs of French artist, Henri Matisse.	Speaking and pronunciation	Matching written captions to corresponding images.	
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		Listening	Following a set of written instructions.	
			Leaning about adjectival position.	
Playground games	Counting in French from one to twelve, recognising the written number words, asking how old	Intercultural understanding	Learning to count from 1-12 verbally and recognising the written number names.	English- SPaG
(5 lessons)	someone is and answering the same question, comparing sentence structures in French and English, and practising all the vocabulary by playing counting and traditional French games.	Reading and writing	Learning how to ask someone how old they are and respond to this question.	
<u>Go to unit</u>		Speaking and pronunciation	Reading a letter and learning to decipher clues about its meaning.	
		Listening	Playing traditional French games to practise counting.	
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In the classroom (5 lessons) Go to unit	Responding to common classroom instructions through games, learning vocabulary for classroom items and understanding that every French noun is either 'masculine' or 'feminine.'	Grammar Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Learning to understand and respond to classroom instructions. Learning French names for common classroom items. Understanding that each noun is either masculine or feminine and that the gender affects the form of the indefinite article - 'un' or 'une.' Reading descriptions of school bag items and matching these to pictures of the correct bag. Planning and delivering a presentation where they describe what's in their school bag.	English - SPaG
Transport (5 lessons) Go to unit	Using their detective skills to spot cognates and working out meaning, learning new transport-related vocabulary. Pupils will be constructing sentences using parts of the verb 'aller' and prepositions to express going on holiday to a different country or going to school by a particular mode of transport.	Grammar Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Recognising cognates and near-cognates to help them work out new transport vocabulary. Learning new sentence structures using aller- to go and prepositions. Creating an oral presentation to describe a scene. Learning about the many countries around the world that speak French. Conducting a survey about transport.	Geography Maths
Circle of life (5 lessons) Go to unit	Using their dictionary skills to develop their animal vocabulary and habitat names. Building sentences and completing food chains to apply this vocabulary in writing.	Grammar Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Using a bilingual dictionary. Learning to use the correct form of the definite article - le,la, l' and les in relation to animal nouns. Creating a negative statement using ne and pas. Solving language problems. Building noun - verb - noun sentences to describe food chains.	Science
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Year 4	Unit description Pupils will be	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:	In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular:
Portraits- describing in French (5 lessons) Go to unit	Describing someone's appearance and characteristics, positioning adjectives in a sentence and ensuring it agrees with the noun it describes (masculine, feminine, singular, plural). Pupils will be exploring the Louvre in Paris to build cultural awareness and complete the unit by writing a description of one of their friends in French.	Grammar Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Understanding that adjectives change depending on the gender of the noun that they are describing. Looking at works of art from the Louvre Museum, Paris. Describing people's hair, eye colour and personality. Writing descriptions of drawings. Ensuring that adjectives agree with nouns.	English - descriptive writing
Clothes- getting dressed in France (5 lessons) Go to unit	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.	Grammar Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Describing items of clothing and using different forms of the indefinite article un, une, des and the possessive adjectives mon, ma, mes. Reinforcing colour adjectives and revising the position of adjectives and adjectival agreement. Expressing their opinions about an outfit using J'aime and Je n'aime pas. Writing a caption to describe an outfit.	
French numbers, calendars and birthdays (5 lessons) Go to unit	Learning French numbers 1-31, the days of the week, months of the year, dates and season. They will be researching dates of French festivals and revising the unit by having a traditional French birthday celebration in the classroom.	Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Learning numbers 1-31 and using to solve maths calculations. Learning the days of the week, months of the year and the vocabulary for yesterday, today and tomorrow. Practising French cursive handwriting. Translating written dates from English to French. Recognising the similarities and differences between French and English birthday celebrations.	Maths
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Year 4	Unit description Pupils will be	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:	In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular:
French weather and the water cycle (5 lessons) Go to unit	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 delivering a weather forecast.	Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Learning weather phrases to describe the weather. Learning vocabulary for the points of a compass. Learning numbers 1-100. Recognising cognates and near cognates to describe the processes in the water cycle Labelling a diagram of the water cycle using French vocabulary.	Geography Maths
French food - Miam, mian! (5 lessons) Go to unit	Learning food vocabulary and revising numbers to 100, this time in the context of money and prices. Developing their language detective skills and confidence with practical conversational French.	Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Learning about France's café culture. Ordering food and drink in a café. Learning about the currency- Euros. Learning vocabulary for some familiar shops. Using language detective skills to increase their food related vocabulary. Creating menus and role-playing a café.	Maths
French and the Eurovision song contest (5 lessons) Go to unit	Writing their own original songs in French, using vocabulary largely drawn from years 3 and 4, including paying attention to rhyming sounds. Pupils will be learning additional musical instrument and musical genre vocabulary and expanding their knowledge of the French names for European countries.	Grammar Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Asking and responding to the question of whether or not they play an instrument and about their musical likes and dislikes. Learning the names of musical instruments. Naming and researching some European countries. Writing and performing a group song using French rhyming words.	Music
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Year 5	Unit description Pupils will be	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:	In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular:
French monster pets (5 lessons) Co to unit	Looking at an authentic French text to identify key facts about an animal and characteristics of a factual text, working towards writing paragraphs to describe their own monster creations.	Grammar Reading and writing	Looking for information in an unknown text to identify key information about animals. Practising using the correct article, identifying nouns and noun patterns, and developing knowledge of language and word order. Matching pictures with written descriptions and writing their own descriptions including names for parts of the body. Consolidating their knowledge of noun gender and how it impacts the article and adjectives.	Science English - writing
Space exploration (5 lessons) Go to unit	Developing their scientific vocabulary around space as well as their grammar. Using figurative language and developing their sentence structure by adding adjectives, using prepositions and making simple adjectival comparisons.	Grammar Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Creating their own bilingual word mat using their language detective skills. Using metaphors to write their own calligrams. Practising building longer sentences and including comparatives to compare planets. Adding justifications to their sentences using 'because.' Asking and answering questions about alien planets.	English - poetry Science
Shopping in France (5 lessons) Go to unit	Learning to construct high numbers in French, developing food-related vocabulary through games, stories and role-play and building on their understanding of sentence structures, questions and phrases, equipping themselves with language they could use when shopping in France.	Grammar Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Recapping numbers 1-20 and learning numbers to one hundred and beyond. Learning words for different fruits, paying attention to gender and pronunciation. Revising the days of the week and food vocabulary. Preparing a repetitive oral tale. Asking and answering questions used when shopping. Decoding an unknown text through context, recognising cognates and near cognates and identifying known vocabulary.	Maths Design and technology
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Year 5	Unit description Pupils will be	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:	In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular:
French speaking world (5 lessons) Go to unit	Discovering that there are many countries in the world that speak French, and learning to give and follow directions in French, discuss climate and use comparative language, which they practise as they explore different French-speaking countries and the cultural treasures belonging to those countries.	Grammar Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Revising compass points and using directional language. Learning where French speaking countries are located in the world. Exploring some French speaking countries by reading some short sentences and making statements using 'il y a' Listening to a real weather forecast in French. Asking and answering questions about some countries in the french speaking world.	Maths Geography
Verbs in a French week (5 lessons) Go to unit	Learning about French verbs and verb endings through games and stories, writing a short piece of creative writing about a week in the life of a character, using action verbs.	Grammar Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Practising bilingual dictionary skills. Recognising that there are three categories of ending for French infinitives. Recognising and using different subject pronouns. Choosing the correct ending of regular -er verbs to go with the subject pronoun. Understanding that some French verbs are irregular (avoir- to have and être - to be)	English - SPaG
Meet my French family (5 lessons) Go to unit	Recapping previously learnt descriptive vocabulary and developing in their ability to form sentences to describe their family.	Grammar Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Learning vocabulary for family members and relations. Writing short descriptive phrases and producing a longer written composition about family. Reading a text and identifying family members from the written clues. Understanding and expressing simple opinions. Using the building blocks of sentences to form new sentences.	English - writing
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Year 6	Unit description Pupils will be	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:	In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular:
French sport and the Olympics (5 lessons) Go to unit	Learning sports vocabulary and expanding their knowledge of country names and developing their cultural knowledge of Pétanque, the Tour de France and the Olympics. Pupils will be consolidating their learning by writing a magazine article about the Olympic Games.	Grammar Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation	Learning the names of some sports in French and how to express preferences. Learning the French name for countries around the world. Learning the verb 'aller' (to go) and how to conjugate in the past tense as well as identifying the correct preposition. Becoming familiar with P.E. action verbs. Learning how to play Pétanque (a famous French game)	P.E. Geography History
French football champions (5 lessons) Go to unit	Developing and practising many important learning strategies that they can use in their future learning of other languages and subjects. Children will be developing their reading, speaking and listening skills, responding to questions about footballers, building up to writing their own football player profiles in French based on research of a chosen player.	Listening Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Writing a magazine article using vocabulary and grammar from the unit. Developing strategies to become independent language learners. Translating and answering comprehension questions about written profiles of French footballers. Exploring different ways of saying where a person comes from. Creating a written football player profile.	P.E Geography
In my French house (5 lessons) Go to unit	Describing a house, the different rooms and who lives there. Learning about prepositions to explain where items are arranged in their bedrooms and consolidating the grammar and vocabulary they have learned by writing a letter to describe their family, home and bedroom.	Grammar Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Learning how to describe different types of house and the rooms in a house. Using existing vocabulary knowledge of family members to write a short piece describing a house and who lives there. Learning to describe items in a bedroom and using prepositions to describe position. Writing a letter to describe a house, who lives there and what is in it.	
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Year 6	Unit description Pupils will be	Curriculum coverage The key strands are:	In this unit, the pupils will be	Cross-curricular:
Planning a French holiday (5 lessons) Go to unit	Becoming familiar with holiday-related vocabulary around packing a suitcase and planning a journey. Pupils will be exploring which countries they might visit and why and ultimately research and plan a holiday to France.	Grammar Reading and writing	Using the past tense of aller - to go and an infinitive to form the near future tense. Distinguishing between present and near future tenses. Revising clothes vocabulary and adding holiday vocabulary. Reading a story about a summer holiday and answering questions about it. Researching and planning a holiday to France	
Visiting a town in France (5 lessons) Go to unit	Learning directional and transport vocabulary and prepositional phrases. Pupils will be exploring their journey to school and explaining what places in town are worth a visit and why. They will be practising giving opinions and talking about a trip to France.	Grammar Intercultural understanding Reading and writing Speaking and pronunciation Listening	Revising modes of transport and prepositions. Learning vocabulary for the features of a town. Building sentences to describe a route. Using negatives accurately. Learning to agree and disagree and justify opinions. Analysing and identifying grammatical features.	Maths Geography