



## French

### Advice for Parents

Any additional exposure to French language and culture is very warmly welcomed! Streaming services such as Netflix and [Walter Presents](#) (All 4) provide a plethora of foreign language TV programmes and films for the whole family to enjoy. We recommend watching with French audio and English subtitles. Please ask your French teacher for suggestions! Listening to French radio stations, online or following French language social media accounts can also be useful.

All pupils have regular vocabulary tests and these vocabulary lists are available online via the [Memrise](#) website. This can also be downloaded as an app onto pupils' phones or tablets, and is a highly effective way of learning vocabulary. For Key Stage 3, these vocabulary lists are also printed in our workbooks.

It is useful for pupils to have access to a French-English dictionary at home. The old-fashioned book form is preferable, but there are excellent online dictionaries available too, such as [www.wordreference.com](http://www.wordreference.com). **Please do not encourage your child to use online translators such as Google Translate.** These are not effective tools and are in fact detrimental to your child's language learning. Any homework completed using a translator will not be marked and will have to be rewritten, since it is not the child's own work.

We recommend the CGP revision guides if pupils require some additional support with learning vocabulary and grammar. Pupils in the sixth form are provided with a book list as part of their bridging unit pack.