

## **Overview of Year 7 French Curriculum**

Pupils study 6 modules of work, two in each term

**Module 1:** Pupils learn to say their name, age and birthday. They can name classroom items, can say the alphabet and spell words out and they learn the colours in French.

**Module 2:** Pupils can talk about their family members, say if they have brothers and sisters, talk about their pets and describe their personal appearance.

**Module 3:** Pupils can describe where they live, their house, bedroom, what they do in the evenings and they can tell the time.

**Module 4:** Pupils learn how to ask about places in a town and can give their opinions on them. They can ask for directions and can order drinks and snacks.

**Module 5:** Pupils can name and give their opinions on their school subjects and they can talk about their school day including what they do before and after school.

**Module 6:** Pupils can talk about the sports, games and instruments they play. They can describe activities you can do and what they like doing at the leisure centre and finally, they can talk about going on holiday.

## **Homework**

Homework is set each week. The type of homework set varies. In Year 7 homework can be a reading comprehension task, a piece of writing or vocabulary-learning.

## **Assessment**

Pupils are assessed continuously in their foreign-language learning and parents are regularly informed of their son's progress. In Year 7 pupils are taught how to assess their own and other pupils' work to help them become more independent in their learning. Pupils are assessed in listening, speaking, reading and writing in line with the National Curriculum Levels. By the end of Year 7, most pupils will be working between Levels 2-4.

Pupils are tested at the end of each module of work and they should bring home a review sheet after each test for you to read and comment on. Additionally, six key pieces of work are marked in detail, highlighting strengths, weaknesses and suggesting ways for pupils to improve.

## **How Parents can help**

- Check that homework is recorded in your son's planner
- Check that his written homework is completed
- Help him with his learning homework or revision by testing him. Even if you don't understand French you will be able to work out to what extent your son has tried to learn his words!
- Provide him with a French dictionary to help with homework - one that is small enough to bring to lessons would be even better
- Check that your son has at least a pen and his books for lessons