Forest of Galtres French Progression

National Curriculum Requirements of Language at KS2 only

- Teaching may be of any modern or ancient foreign language and should focus on enabling pupils to make substantial progress in one language. The teaching should provide an appropriate balance of spoken and written language and should lay the foundations for further foreign language teaching at Key Stage 3. It should enable pupils to understand and communicate ideas, facts and feelings in speech and writing, focused on familiar and routine matters, using their knowledge of phonology, grammatical structures and vocabulary.
- The focus of study in modern languages will be on practical communication. If an ancient language is chosen the focus will be to provide a linguistic foundation for reading comprehension and an appreciation of classical civilisation. Pupils studying ancient languages may take part in simple oral exchanges, while discussion of what they read will be conducted in English. A linguistic foundation in ancient languages may support the study of modern languages at key stage 3.

Pupils should be taught to:

- listen attentively to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding
- explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words
- engage in conversations; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help*
- 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*
- present ideas and information orally to a range of audiences*
- read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing
- appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language
- broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words that are introduced into familiar written material, including through using a dictionary
- write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to express ideas clearly
- describe people, places, things and actions orally* and in writing
- 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.

The starred (*) content above will not be applicable to ancient languages.

Knowledge, Skills and Understanding breakdown for Foreign Languages

Year 1

Listening and responding	Speaking	Reading and responding	Writing
To understand simple classroom commands.	To answer with a single word.	To read and understand a single word.	To copy a single word correctly.
To understand short statements.	To answer with a short phrase.		To label items.
To understand simple questions.		Presented in clear script in familiar context.	To choose the right words to complete a
To understand clearly spoken speech.	Pronunciation may be approximate, and may	May need visual cues.	phrase.
	need considerable support from a spoken		To choose the right words to complete a
May need a lot of help, e.g. gesture and	model and from visual cues.		short sentence.
repetition			

Knowledge, Skills and Understanding breakdown for Foreign Languages

Year 2			
Listening and responding	Speaking	Reading and responding	Writing
To understand a range of familiar	To give short and simple responses to what	To read and understand short phrases.	To copy a short familiar phrase.
statements.	they see and hear.	To read aloud single words and phrases.	To write or word-process set phrases we use
To understand a range of familiar questions.	To name and describe people.	To use books or glossaries to find the	in class.
	To name and describe places.	meanings of new words.	
May need items repeated.	To name and describe objects.		When they write familiar words from
	To use (set) phrases.		memory their spelling may be approximate.
	Pronunciation may still be approximate and delivery hesitant, but their meaning is clear.		

Knowledge, Skills and Understanding breakdown for Foreign Languages

Years 3 and 4

Listening and responding	Speaking	Reading and responding	Writing
To understand short passages made up of	To have a short conversation where they are	To read and understand short texts using	To write 2-3 short sentences on (a familiar
familiar language.	saying 2-3 things.	familiar language.	topic)
To understand instructions, messages and	To use short phrases to give a personal	To identify and note the main points and	To say what they like and dislike about (a
dialogues within short passages.	response.	give a personal response.	familiar topic)
To identify and note the main points and		To read independently.	
give a personal response on a passage.	Although they use mainly memorised	To use a bilingual dictionary or glossary to	They write short phrases from memory and
	language, they occasionally substitute items	look up new words.	their spelling is readily understandable.
Spoken at near normal speed with no	of vocabulary to vary the questions or		
interference. May need short sections	statements.		
repeated			

Knowledge, Skills and Understanding breakdown for Foreign Languages

Years 5 and 6			
Listening and responding	Speaking	Reading and responding	Writing
To understand longer passages made up of	To hold a simple conversation with at least	To understand a short story or factual text	To write a paragraph of about 3-4 simple
familiar language in simple sentences.	3-4 exchanges.	and note some of the main points.	sentences.
To identify the main points and some details.	To use their knowledge of grammar to adapt	To use context to work out unfamiliar words.	To adapt and substitute individual words and
	and substitute single words and phrases.		set phrases.
Spoken at near normal speed with no			To use a dictionary or glossary to check
interference. May need some items to be	Their pronunciation is generally accurate and		words they have learnt.
repeated.	they show some consistency in their		
	intonation.		They will draw largely on memorised
			language.