



## Entry Criteria:

- You will need to achieve the pathway criteria, please see the prospectus for further information
- You will need to achieve a Grade 5 or above in GCSE French from a higher tier paper.

## Coursework/Examination Requirements:

AS Assessment	Three examinations worth 45%, 25% and 30%
A Level Assessment	Three examinations worth 50%, 20% and 30%.

## Awarding Body/Specifications: AQA

**Advanced Level (A Level):** French is the first or second language in more than 40 countries and is spoken by 125 million people from every continent. French at AS/A Level is an enriching linguistic and cultural experience which cultivates a deeper understanding of current social issues as well as political, intellectual and artistic culture in French-speaking society. International job applicants who are proficient in at least two languages are at a distinct advantage in the global market. Speaking French will increase your job opportunities and salary potential as many French companies have subsidiaries in the United Kingdom. France is a world leader in the development of modern telecommunications, a market with explosive growth potential. French is also an official language of many top international institutions and organisations. **The following units will be covered on this course:**

### AS - Year 12 Units

#### Unit 1 – Listening, Reading and Writing

- Listening and responding
- Reading and responding
- Translation into English (approximately 70 words)

#### Unit 2 – Writing

- Translation into French (approximately 70 words)
- Essay on one film (approximately 250 words)

#### Unit 3 – Speaking Test

- Discussion of two sub-themes based on a stimulus card for each.

### A Level - Year 13 Units

#### Unit 1 – Listening, Reading and Writing

- Listening and responding
- Reading and responding
- Translation into English (approximately 100 words)
- Translation into French (approximately 100 words)

#### Unit 2 – Writing

- Essay on one film (approximately 300 words)
- Essay on one text (approximately 300 words)

#### Unit 3 – Speaking Test

- Discussion of one sub-theme based on a stimulus card
- Presentation and discussion of an Individual Research Project.

**Advanced Subsidiary (AS):** If you choose to study this subject for one year only you will be awarded the AS Level. You will cover the AS unit content and sit public examinations in Year 12.

**Progression:** There are a number of degree courses available offering French as a main subject or as a component of another course such as Business/Finance, Media, Law and Literature. There is an increasing demand for French speakers, not only in the areas of travel and tourism, but also in the commercial world and the teaching profession. Having a good grade in French A Level is a qualification that is highly valued, not only by universities but also by multi-national employers.

**Opportunities:** You will be subscribed to the online support programme which provides you with self-study material. Cinema visits, Language conferences and revision days are often organised.