

## Fairfield High School Curriculum Overview – Year 8

Subject	French	Why do we study these units in Year 8?
Lessons per fortnight	2 lessons	In Year 8 we look to build on the skills, grammar and vocabulary that students have learnt in Year 7. We study a range of units which link to the three main themes which are Theme 1 Identity and culture, Theme 2 Local, national, international and global areas of interest and Theme 3 Current and future study and employment. We revisit and build upon conceptual understanding of grammatical structures and vocabulary from Year 7 and reapply them to the units in Year 8.
Setting	Mixed ability	

<p><b>Students are encouraged to be Responsible Global Citizens through activities/content on</b> healthy lifestyles and food waste(UNSG 3) Comparison of education systems (UNSG 4) Looking at African Francophone countries and what we can do to help (UNSG 1+2)</p>
<p><b>We ensure all students experience high challenge in the subject by including</b> differentiated questioning, extension tasks, extending how much they write which will develop in year 9, diversifying skills, fostering independent enquiry and use of open-ended tasks.</p>
<p><b>Literacy work this year includes</b> grammar, spelling and pronunciation rules</p>
<p><b>Innovation and Creativity opportunities this year includes</b> presentation work, trips abroad, theatre trips, posters and cultural discovery.</p>
<p><b>Employability opportunities/skills covered this year are</b> formal and informal register, communication skills, presentations from guest speakers about jobs and the importance of languages, job applications and comparisons of jobs in UK and abroad.</p>

Term	Unit title	Knowledge and Understanding/content	Skills	Assessment
1	Food and drink	Talking about breakfast foods and French meals and giving opinions about food and drink. <b>Grammar:</b> The definite article after aimer and préférer, The partitive article du, de la, de l', des, adjectives	Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing and Translation. Memorising strategies, Identifying and applying language patterns. Phonics, pronunciation and dictation skills.	2 vocab tests
2	Food and drink	Talking about healthy eating, Discussing healthy lifestyles, Food and drink. <b>Grammar:</b> Devoir and Falloir + infinitive, verb aller, present and future tenses, verb aller+infinitives Time frame words, negatives	Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing and Translation. Asking questions, using context to work out meaning. Phonics, pronunciation and dictation skills.	15 word vocab test, Translation into French and Reading assessment
3	At school	Talking and giving opinions about school subjects and school rules. <b>Grammar:</b> Pronouns, er verbs, Intensifiers, Connectives, Identifying word	Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing and Translation. Reading strategies including cognates and false friends. Phonics, pronunciation and dictation skills.	2 vocab tests

		function, Devoir and Falloir + infinitive, Comparisons		
4	Daily routines	Talking about your daily routine using reflexive verbs and say what time you do it. <b>Grammar:</b> Reflexive verbs Il est + time Present tense Frequency adjectives Question words	Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing and Translation. Numeracy skills. Identifying and applying language patterns to reflexive verbs. Phonics, pronunciation and dictation skills.	15 words vocab test, Translation into English and Listening assessment
5	Holidays	Talking about holidays <b>Grammar:</b> Using prepositions, Asking questions. Perfect tense, time references, negatives, adjectives.	Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing and Translation. Asking questions. Identifying and applying language patterns. Phonics, pronunciation and dictation skills.	2 vocab tests
6	Holidays and life in French speaking countries	Talking about where you live and where you are going to live Describe daily routine French speaking countries around the world. French speaking celebrities. Festivals in France and holidays abroad. <b>Grammar:</b> Asking questions, Giving opinions, Perfect tense, negatives, adjectives, time references	Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing and Translation. Reading strategies including cognates and false friends. Phonics, pronunciation and dictation skills.	15 words vocab test, Translation and Speaking assessment

