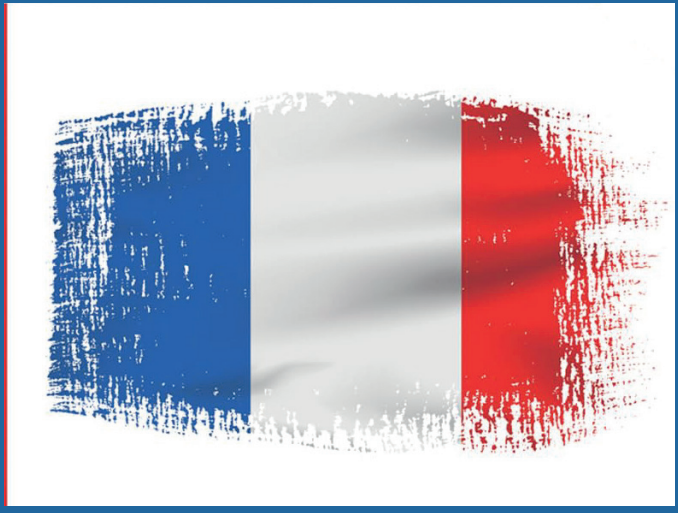
Maelor Sixth



French
WJEC A Level

Subject Leader: Ms C Taillefer

Introduction

This course will provide students with an exciting opportunity to build on the previous study of French. Through social, intellectual, and cultural themes students will be able to develop linguistic knowledge and cultural understanding of the countries and French speaking communities. An opportunity to study literature and film will allow students to undertake a deeper analysis of language structures and increase cultural awareness.

The Course

Year One

- Unit 1 - Speaking about a theme, using discussion and argument a based on one of four themes.
- Unit 2 - Listening, reading, translation and critical response in writing

Year Two

- Unit 3 - Speaking, students present and discuss the results of an independent research project based on a selected select an area of personal study that should encouraged students to broaden their knowledge and appreciation of the countries or French speaking communities.
- Unit 4 - Listening, reading and translation
- Unit 5 - Critical and analytical response in writing (closed-book)

Assessment

AS - Year 12

- Unit 1 - oral examination worth 12% of the final A Level grade
- Unit 2 - written examination worth 28% of the final A Level grade

A Level - Year 13

- Unit 3 - speaking examination worth 18% of the final grade
- Unit 4 - written examination worth 30%
- Unit 5 - written examination worth 12% of the final A Level grade

Entry Requirements

- GCSE grade B/6 grade in French or Welsh
- A genuine interest in studying languages
- GCSE grade C/4 in English and Maths

Further Information

A Level French offers a rich and comprehensive insight into the social fabric, political, intellectual, and artistic culture of the countries and French speaking communities. The specification content covers two primary areas of interest:

- Social issues and trends
- Political, intellectual, and artistic culture.

Under these two areas of interest a total of four themes are selected to offer students an extensive and pertinent learning experience.



Links to Future Careers

French is a major world language, being the first or second language in over forty-three countries. It is spoken by approximately 270 million people and is an official language in the EU, the UN and major sporting events such as the Olympics, the World Cup and the Euros. The civil and diplomatic services also value linguistic skills as well as in the more traditional areas of interpreting and translating. Students with proficiency in French have highly marketable skills in the spheres of:

- Business and Marketing
- Law
- Journalism
- Tourism

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