

Maribyrnong Primary School French Overview- Term 1



Term 1 Learning

Bienvenue! Welcome to French in 2024. In Term 1, we will begin building language for simple conversations and learn expressions and vocabulary relevant to the classroom. We will also explore the importance of French as an international language.

- Year Three classes will focus on vocabulary for the classroom, including classroom equipment and simple requests. Students will also practice using simple questions and answers of introduction.
- Year Four learning will focus on classroom language, including equipment and requests. Students will practice simple questions and answers of introduction and use vocabulary for months and seasons, with a focus on word origins.
- Year Five will learn language for structured conversations expressing information about self and personal preferences. Students will also learn vocabulary for months, seasons, classroom objects and requests, and discuss where French is spoken.
- Year Six will explore the importance of French as an international language.
 Students will use structured language to express facts about self, preferences and emotions. Learning new vocabulary will include a focus on word origins, particularly links between English, French and Latin.

How you can support learning

- Have a positive attitude towards language learning and share this with your child!
- YouTube offers many entertaining songs that assist children to learn French, for example those of Alain le Lait.
- There are a number of apps that allow independent learning.
 Duolingo is the best known and suitable for beginners.
- Quizlet is an online resource with free sign-up where students can learn vocabulary in a large range of topics and test themselves through interactive games.

Key Dates and Activities

Semaine de la francophonie (International Francophonie Week) is **March 16 – 24**.

Journée internationale de la francophonie (International Francophonie Day) is **March 20**

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Monday to Wednesday