MFL

Learning a foreign language is a liberation from insularity and provides an opening to other cultures. A high-quality languages education should foster pupils' curiosity and deepen their understanding of the world. The teaching should enable pupils to express their ideas and thoughts in another language and to understand and respond to its speakers, both in speech and in writing. It should also provide opportunities for them to communicate for practical purposes, learn new ways of thinking and read great literature in the original language. Language teaching should provide the foundation for learning further languages, equipping pupils to study and work in other countries.

Grammar and Vocabulary	Year 7			Year 8			Year 9			Year 10			Year 11			
Identify and use tenses or other structures which convey the present, past, and future as appropriate to the language being studied	Pres	Pres	Pres, Fut	Pre, Fut	Pa, Pre, Fut											
Use and manipulate a variety of key grammatical structures and patterns, including voices and moods, as appropriate																
Develop and use a wide-ranging and deepening vocabulary that goes beyond their immediate needs and interests, allowing them to give and justify opinions and take part in discussion about wider issues																
Use accurate grammar, spelling and punctuation.																
Linguistic Competence		Year 7			Year 8			Year 9			Year 10			Year 11		
Listen to a variety of forms of spoken language to obtain information and respond appropriately																
Transcribe words and short sentences that they hear with increasing accuracy																
Initiate and develop conversations, coping with unfamiliar language and unexpected responses, making use of important social conventions such as formal modes of address																
Express and develop ideas clearly and with increasing accuracy, both orally and in writing																
Speak coherently and confidently, with increasingly accurate pronunciation and intonation																
Read and show comprehension of original and adapted materials from a range of different sources, understanding the purpose, important ideas and details, and provide an accurate English translation of short, suitable material																
Read literary texts in the language [such as stories, songs, poems and letters], to stimulate ideas, develop creative expression and expand understanding of the language and culture																

Write prose using an increasingly wide range of grammar and vocabulary, write creatively								
to express their own ideas and opinions, and translate short written text accurately into the								
foreign language.								

Above is an indication of the skills and knowledge continued in the GCSE French/German Specifications