

Year 11 Parents' Evening – French

AQA French Code 8658

The GCSE course has changed significantly this year. There are 3 themes that are covered:

- 1) Identity and Culture
- 2) Local, national, international and global areas of interest
- 3) Current and future study and employment

There is no longer a coursework/controlled assessment element to the course.

There are 4 final exams worth 25% each in the skills of Listening, Reading, Speaking and Writing.

Students are entered for Foundation or Higher papers. Mixed tier entries are no longer possible.

Key dates:

Mid March: 2nd speaking mock exam

Week commencing 23rd April: (proposed dates) Actual speaking exam

15th May: Listening and Reading exam (these exams are sat back to back)

18th May: Writing exam

To support at home, you can remind/support students to do the following:

- It is vital that students prepare fully for their speaking exam. This is the only element of the exam where we can choose the questions we ask students.
- Revision booklets (3 in total, one for each theme) with key vocabulary, verbs and with exam question practice
- Quizlet, Vocab Express and Memrise website/App with all of the specification vocabulary.
Students should be spending at least 20 minutes a day on this. Log in details for all of these are on the shared Showbie group (V4LEM)
- BBC Bitesize revision – <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/french/>

Intervention:

There will be intervention sessions put in place for individual students. Also, there will be specific revision sessions for students to sign up to and attend.