



Parents' Information Evening

AS French



Bienvenue

Madame Tchekmeian-Imam

To help you pronounce it, follow this pictogram:

“Cheque”



“Me”



“Annie”

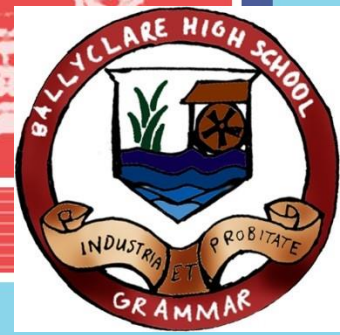


“Ma'am”



Programme

- Welcome and staff introduction
Mme Tchekmeian-Imam, Mrs Kent,
Mr Mannus and Jérémie Fiorino
- AS Course Breakdown
- A2 Course Breakdown
- Grade Boundaries
- Differences GCSE/ A level
- How your child should be studying
- Good Habits
- Apps, Websites, Podcasts
- Parental Support
- Questions



AS Course Breakdown

AS 40% of A level: 3 Units – May/June

- **AS 1 Speaking**

30% of AS - 12% of A level

- **AS 2 Listening, Reading, Use of Language**

40% of AS - 16% of A level

- **AS 3 Extended Writing *No et Moi***

30% of AS - 12% of A level



Rewarding Learning

A2 Course Breakdown

A2 60% of A level: 3 Units – May/June

- **AS 1 Speaking**

30% of AS - 18% of A level

- **A2 2 Listening and Reading**

40% of AS - 24% of A level

- **A2 3 Extended Writing**

30% of AS - 18% of A level



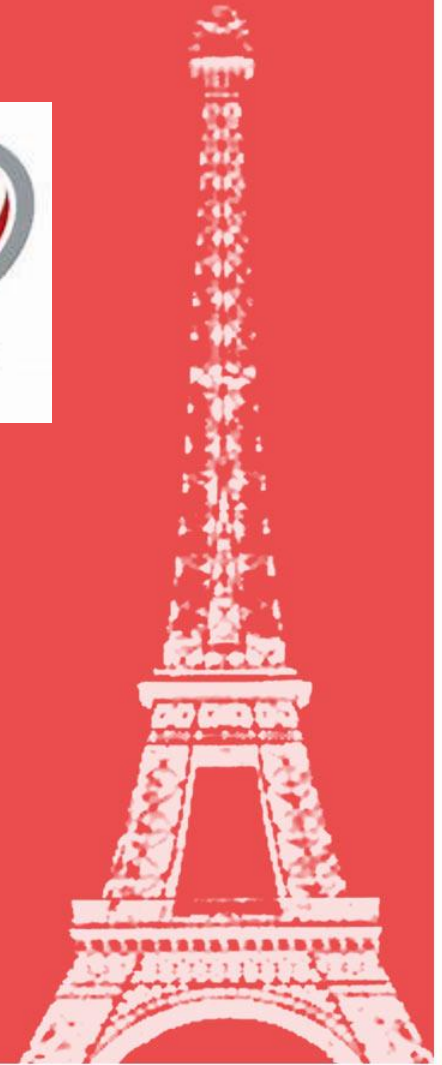
Rewarding Learning

Grade Boundaries

6 unit GCE		
AS Max Uniform Marks: 200		
A2 Level Max Uniform Marks: 500		
Grade	UMS Boundaries	
	AS	A2 Level
A	160	400
B	140	350
C	120	300
D	100	250
E	80	200
Subjects:		
French		

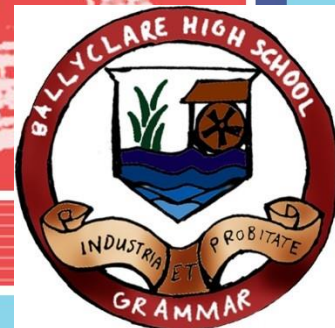


“What you get at AS is what you get at A2!”



Differences GCSE/ A level

- Less pre-learnt material, **more spontaneity** - towards **oral and written fluency and accuracy**.
- **More class time** – over four hours of timetabled class with teachers per week (weekly breakdown).
- Timetabled speaking classes with Jérémie, our French Assistant (40 mins per week). **Attendance and participation** are compulsory.



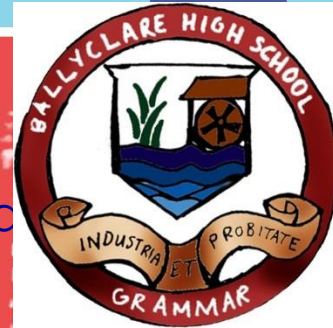
Differences GCSE/ A level

- More **independent** learning and reading around the subject.
- AS A-grade candidates in the past have **worked consistently** from September to May, have **learned their vocabulary and grammar**, have **persevered**, have coped with the unpredictability of the subject, have made every opportunity to **speak French**, have listened to and read a variety of authentic French and have used the latest French apps.



What should my child be doing at home?

- **At least 4 hours** of French per week.
- Learning **large volumes** of vocabulary and **grammar**; experience shows this is best managed **little but often**, on a nightly basis. Parents can help out by testing students on vocabulary, where possible.
- Completing set reading, listening and writing homeworks.
- Independently researching for complex linguistic structures to use in essays and writing essays.
- Accessing authentic French websites and reading French news online.
- Using the CCEA website to access past papers, support materials and listening files.
- Using a variety of apps and websites to boost their learning of French.
- Use Google classroom as a tool to communicate with peers and teachers: opportunity for forum (collaborative essay-writing).



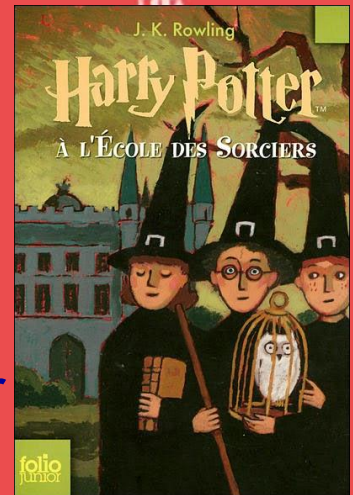
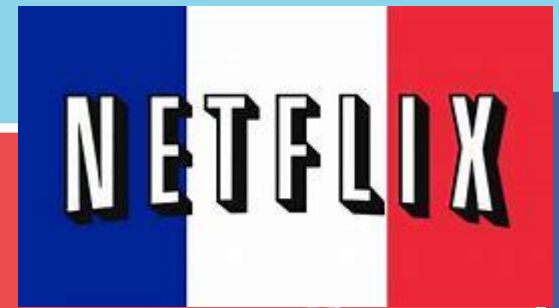
Good Habits

- **Organisation** is key at A level
- Put your notes in the right section of folder
- **Go over notes** as you go home as you might have had French in the morning
- **Little and often** : research shows it takes 5 attempts to properly learn something
- French Assistant: be prepared!
- **Google classroom**: contact, collaborative essay-writing...

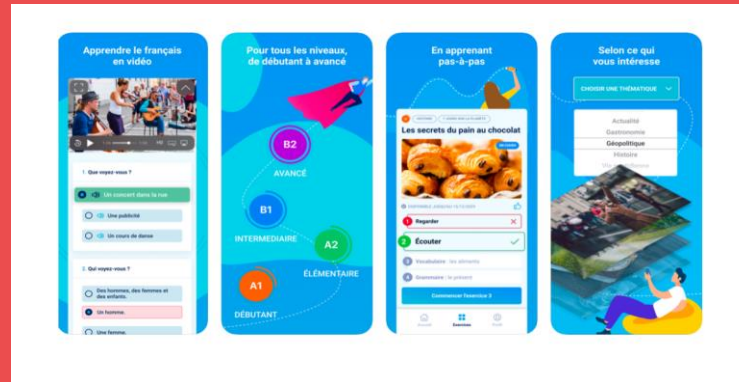
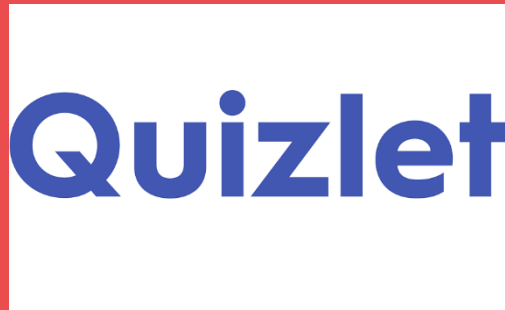


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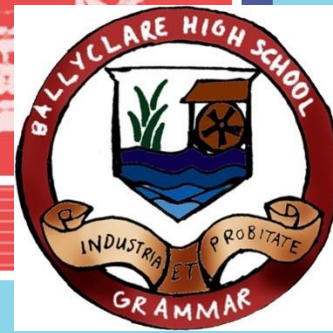
- **Live** your French interest
- Listen to French **music**
- Watch French **films and series**
- Read your favourite **book** in French
- Get a French **news app** on your phone with notifications (Le Monde)
- Change your phone language to French



Apps, Websites, Podcasts

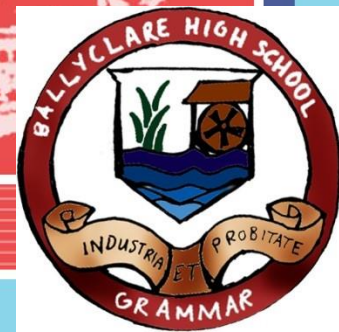


These apps should be part of your routine.



Parental Support

- Speak to your son/daughter
- Encourage **good habits from the start**
- Organise a **quiet** place to study
- No phones/social media
- Check planner weekly
- Listen to French music together
- Watch films/ series together



Questions

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Any questions later?

Feel free to contact me

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Merci pour votre attention!



**"Persévérance,
secret de tous
les triomphes."**

Victor Hugo

