

Primary Languages

Overview of our Languages Curriculum (French)

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 3 Curriculum Focus (Speaking and Listening)	<p>Early Start Unit 1.1 Greetings and goodbyes <i>Salut! Au revoir!</i> Sing vocabulary to familiar tunes ie. Westminster chimes</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.2 How are you? <i>Ca va?</i> Echo phrases and respond with smiley and sad faces</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.3 What's your name? <i>Comments t'appelles-tu?</i> Children to walk around and greet each other asking 'What is your name?' and respond.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.4 The alphabet <i>L'alphabet</i> Play 'Spell My Name' children spell out their names with correct pronunciation</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.6 Number 0-12 Les nombres de 0 à 12 Play bingo</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.7 How old are you? <i>Quel âge as-tu?</i> Play 'How old are you?' question and answer game.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.8 Brothers and sisters <i>As-tu des frères et des soeurs?</i> Play 'Make Families' Teacher calls out e.g. "J'ai un frère et deux soeurs" and children get into correct groups.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.9 Do you have a pet? <i>As-tu un animal?</i> Play 'Hide the Pet' place enlarged pictures of animals around the</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.12 Numbers 13-31 <i>Les nombres de 13 à 31</i> Play 'Swap Numbers' children sit in a circle with a number. Call out a number and children with that number swap seats.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.13 When is your birthday? <i>Joyeux anniversaire!</i> Learn how to sing Happy Birthday.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.14 Days of the week <i>Les jours de la semaine</i> Listen to 'Days of the Week' song</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.15 What's today's date? <i>Quelle est la date aujourd'hui?</i> Echo vocabulary with children saying today's date.</p>

	<p>Early Start Unit 1.5 My family <i>Ma famille</i> Play 'Pair Up' children pick a card and find their pair by asking, e.g. "<i>la mère?</i>"</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.17 Happy Christmas! Joyeux Noël! Play 'Word Picture Match' with Christmas flash cards.</p>	<p>classroom. Children to echo the animals and then hide one of the animals. Children say which animal is missing</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.10 Colours <i>Les couleurs</i> Learn song 'Les couleurs'</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.11 Months of the year <i>Mois de l'année</i> Play 'Birthday Months' game. Teacher calls out month and children stand up and echo back month if it is their birthday month.</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.16 Weather <i>Quel temps fait-il?</i> Children mime different weathers and others respond by saying the weather they are acting out.</p>
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<p>Year 4 Curriculum Focus (Speaking, Listening and Writing)</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.1 Greetings and goodbyes <i>Salut! Au revoir!</i> Create speech bubbles for illustrations</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.2 How are you? <i>Ca va?</i> Draw appropriate facial expressions and add speech bubbles to illustrations</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.3 What's your name? <i>Comments t'appelles-tu?</i> Record vocabulary and look at the spelling and pronunciation of some French names.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.4 The alphabet <i>L'alphabet</i> Look at grouping letters with similar sounds and practise typical French handwriting.</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.6 Number 0-12 Les nombres de 0 à 12 Play 'Swap Numbers' children sit in a circle with a number. Call out a number and children with that number swap seats.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.7 How old are you? <i>Quel âge as-tu?</i> Children make themselves a birthday badge e.g. "J'ai huit ans"</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.8 Brothers and sisters <i>As-tu des frères et des soeurs?</i> Play 'Snap' by recording vocabulary onto flashcards.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.9 Do you have a pet? <i>As-tu un animal?</i> Make a class dictionary with pages A-Z and record new vocabulary.</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.12 Numbers 13-31 <i>Les nombres de 13 à 31</i> Play bingo</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.13 When is your birthday? <i>Joyeux anniversaire!</i> Make each other birthday cards.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.14 Days of the week <i>Les jours de la semaine</i> Record phrases and new vocabulary.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.15 What's today's date? <i>Quelle est la date aujourd'hui?</i> Play 'Find the Date' with flashcards.</p>
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	<p>Early Start Unit 1.5 My family <i>Ma famille</i> Record new vocabulary and role play introducing their families using extended vocabulary.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.17 Happy Christmas! Joyeux Noël! Make Christmas cards</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.10 Colours <i>Les couleurs</i> Find out about Matisse and make a collage style drawing labelled with colours.</p> <p>Early Start Unit 1.11 Months of the year <i>Mois de l'année</i> Make a calendar of months and record class birthdays.</p>	<p>Early Start Unit 1.16 Weather <i>Quel temps fait-il?</i> Make a weather chart with labelled illustrations.</p>
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At Icknield Walk First School Modern Foreign Languages is about understanding and communicating with different people and cultures. We aim to foster in children an outward looking perspective on the world, and to see themselves as global citizens.

French is taught in years 3 and 4 using the on-line primary resource "Early Start Languages", written by specialist language teachers, which can be used easily by non-specialists. Each unit builds on the language and skills previously taught with plenty of chance to practise and consolidate. The children are encouraged to "have a go" rather than "get it right". Each child begins a French exercise book at the beginning of year 4 and repeats the year 3 units with different activities and a focus on written work. The main emphasis, however, remains speaking and listening throughout the school.