Skills Progression

MFL – French									
Key Skills	Modes and modalities	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6				
Phonics	Recognition & Production (Sound (L) to print (W))	To learn the SSC and phonics key words and remember them. To match the French SSC I hear to	To link SSC to new words to what I hear. To listen and transcribe SSC	To learn about vowel combinations and stress patterns. To identify these when listening.	To listen and write short phrases including unfamiliar words more accurately, when focusing on transcription.				
		print and transcribe accurately the SSC I know best.	within single words with some success.	To connect sound and spelling by transcribing a range of new words and	To enjoy listening to and joining in with songs and short poems.				
		To enjoy listening to and joining in with simple songs and rhymes.	To use sound-spelling links to follow when listening and reading.	parts of words. To enjoy listening to and joining in	3				
			To enjoy listening to and joining in with simple songs and rhymes.	with songs and short poems.					
	Recognition & Production	To be readily read aloud the SSC and phonics key words. To carefully sound out some	To read aloud familiar words observing certain pronunciation rules (silent letters, accent/ stress markers, etc) and some unknown	To read aloud many familiar words with clear and comprehensible pronunciation.	To read familiar words and short sentences aloud with clear and comprehensible pronunciation.				
	(Print (R) to sound (S))	unfamiliar words and parts of words with some success, focusing on a few SSC at any one time.	words. To pronounce usually comprehensibly.	More slowly and carefully, to decode unfamiliar words using SSC knowledge.	To read aloud single unknown words more readily.				
Vocabulary	Understanding (Aural (L) / Written (R))	To understand around 100 words when I listen and read them as single items and in short sentences which describe people, places, things and actions.	To understand around 200 words when listening and reading them as single items and in short sentences which describe people, places, things and actions.	To understand around 300 words when listening and reading them as single items and in short and compound sentences which describe people, places, things and actions.	To understand around 400 words when listening and reading them as single items and in short and compound sentences which describe people, places, things and actions.				
			To look words up in an alphabetical word list or French dictionary.	To begin to use known words in a sentence to work out likely meanings of single unknown words.	To use the words I know in a sentence to work out likely meanings of single unknown words.				
				To use a French dictionary.	To use a French dictionary.				

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		To use around 100 words to	To use around 200 words to	To use around 300 words to engage in	To use around 400 words to engage
		engage in short exchanges; ask	engage in short exchanges; ask	short exchanges; ask and answer	in short exchanges; ask and answer
		and answer questions; express	and answer questions; express	questions; express opinions and	questions; express opinions and
		opinions and respond to those of	opinions and respond to those of	respond to those of others; seek	respond to those of others; seek
	Production	others; seek clarification and help.	others; seek clarification and	clarification and help.	clarification and help.
	(Oral (S) /		help.		
	Written (W))	To speak in and write sentences		To speak in and write sentences about	To speak in and write sentences
	` '/	about people, places, things and	To speak in and write sentences	people, places, things and actions,	about people, places, things and
		actions, using familiar vocabulary	about people, places, things and	using familiar vocabulary and basic	actions, using familiar vocabulary
		and basic language structures.	actions, using familiar vocabulary	language structures.	and basic language structures.
			and basic language structures.		
				To distinguish and understand (in listening and writing) singular and plural	
		plural articles (indefinite and definite), singular verbs ÊTRE, AVOIR, (il y		articles (indefinite and definite), singular and plural forms of ÊTRE, AVOIR, (il y	
	Understanding	a), regular -ER, singular adjective agreement and position (-e, -eux/-		a), regular -ER verbs, singular ALLER, FAIRE (including weather expressions), 2-	
	(Aural (L) /	euse), regular plural noun marking (-s), intonation questions, including		verb structures with singular AIMER, DETESTER, DEVOIR, VOULOIR, POUVOIR)	
	Written (R))	question words quoi, où, combien, comment, quand)		+ infinitive, singular and plural adjectives (-(e)s, -eux/-euses), intonation	
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ıaı				questions (with WH-words), negation (nepas)	
Grammar ¹		To describe people, places, things and actions (in speaking and writing)		To describe people, places, things and actions (in speaking and writing) I use	
	Production (Oral (S) / Written (W))	I use singular and plural articles (indefinite and definite), singular verbs		singular and plural articles (indefinite and definite), singular and plural forms	
		ÊTRE, AVOIR, il y a, regular -ER, singular adjective agreement and		of ÊTRE, AVOIR, (il y a), regular -ER verbs, singular ALLER, FAIRE (including	
		position (-e, -eux/-euse), regular plural noun marking (-s), intonation		weather expressions), 2-verb structures with singular AIMER, DETESTER,	
		questions, including question words quoi, où, combien, comment,		DEVOIR, VOULOIR, POUVOIR) + infinitive, singular and plural adjectives (-(e)s, -	
		quand)		eux/-euses), intonation questions (including with quoi, où, combien,	
				comment, quand, qui), Est-ce que questions (with WH-words), negation	
				(nepas)	
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¹ The grammar features in lower KS2 (Y3/Y4) are all introduced in Y3 and revisited in new contexts in Y4 to deepen knowledge. The same applies to upper KS2 (Y5/6).

Key: L (Listening), S (Speaking), R (Reading), W (Writing)