### French A Level

### Awarding Body: AQA

The aim of the syllabus is to enable candidates to develop the language skills needed for effective, sophisticated communication in French and to provide them with an opportunity to gain an insight into contemporary French-speaking societies around the world.

In addition to practising listening and reading, particular attention will be paid to the promotion of accuracy and wealth of structures in the more active speaking skills. Candidates will be encouraged to learn vocabulary in context by engaging personally and building up a portfolio of authentic articles on current affairs.

### Scheme of Assessment

All papers below to be taken at the completion of the 2 year course

(End of Year 13)

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| Paper 1 | Listening, reading and writing | 2½ hrs | 50% | Externally set and marked. |
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| Paper 2 | Writing. Literary component | 2 hrs | 20% | Externally set and marked |
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| Paper 3 | Speaking | 21-23 mins to include 5 mins prep time. | 30% | Assessments will be conducted by either the Centre or a visiting examiner and marked by an AQA examiner |

### Reporting of Achievement

Achievement is reported on a scale of six grades: A\*, A, B, C, D, E

Students who fail to reach the minimum standard for Grade E will be recorded as U and will not receive a qualification certificate.