

Oyster Pond Academy

Madame Loo Communication Plan

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Français de Base 8. This class aims to provide opportunities for students to develop and enhance their communication skills, refine their thinking and problem-solving skills and to develop a deeper appreciation of different languages and cultures. Students are engaged in a variety of authentic conversational situations in which they must give and request information, express their thoughts and opinions, amuse and entertain, as well as satisfy and use their imagination. This class follows the Neurolinguistic Approach which emphasizes conversational French through teacher led models and small and large group practice.

Writing Activities

Students will participate in various small written activities via guided prompts based on the topics of conversation in class. Students will be guided by the classroom composition and mentor paragraphs and should pay special attention to them before beginning their own written work.

Reading

Students will read various texts in a group setting and individually. Students will learn about different strategies to support their reading in a second language.

Speaking and Listening Activities

Our daily classroom routines will involve a lot of speaking: answering opinion questions, examining hypothetical situations and describing experiences. Listening, watching, and trying are essential to acquiring a second language and students will spend most of their time sharing their impressions, opinions and their preferences in partners, small group and whole group discussions.

In-class work and unit final tasks

Throughout the year the students will complete various in-class assignments as well as final unit projects. These may include making a poster, writing a booklet, creating and sharing presentations in google slides, role play and skits. The majority of assignments will be completed in google classroom.

The outcomes used to evaluate and report on student progress are:

1. *Students will communicate orally in French in a variety of authentic situations.*
2. *Students will read, listen to, and view a range of French texts in a variety of authentic situations.*
3. *Students will write texts in French in a variety of authentic situations.*

Assessment and Evaluation:

Students will be assessed throughout the reporting period to measure their progress. Assessments include written submissions as well as progress noted during speaking activities during class.

Successful students are those who consistently make an effort to *speak French* in class and those who *listen carefully* to the model when new structures are introduced. Success in this class means showing respect to one another by listening and participating consistently.

In our classroom, we use the one to four grading system according to the following rubric:

- 4 Demonstrates excellent understanding and application of concepts and skills. (90-100%)
- 3+ Demonstrates very good understanding and application of concepts and skills. (80-89%)
- 3 Demonstrates good understanding and application of concepts and skills. (70-79%)
- 2+ Demonstrates satisfactory understanding and application of concepts and skills. (60-69%)
- 2 Demonstrates minimal understanding and application of concepts and skills. (50-59%)
- 1+ Has not met minimum requirements of the course. (Below 50%)
- 1 Has not attempted to meet minimum requirements of the course. (no attempt)

What materials do students need?

The following materials are required for this course. Please check with your child throughout the year to ensure they still have enough pensils and paper.

- Pencils
- Eraser
- Sharpener
- Looseleaf
- Duotang

How can students succeed in this class?

- Be prepared, on time and responsible for their learning
- Respect your classmates, classroom, teacher and yourself
- Participate in class discussions by listening, writing and speaking
- Only use their technology at appropriate times (only when instructed by a teacher to use them)
- Catch up on work when time is missed from school

I look forward to getting to know your kids this year. You are welcome to contact me anytime if you have any questions or concerns. Please see my contact information below:

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