



# FRENCH

French is a major world language involving trade, cultural, scientific, sport and technological links with Australia. The French language and culture are widespread: Our South Pacific neighbours (New Caledonia, Tahiti, Vanuatu) South-East Asia, Europe, Africa, the Middle East, the Indian Ocean region, Canada and the West Indies all provide links with the French language, its traditions and attitudes. French is also an official language for the Olympic Games, the United Nations, the European Union, the South Pacific Commission and international conferences.



Students will follow a series of interesting language themes which are connected to their everyday life: family, friends, hobbies, school, and travel. Up to date core and enrichment materials are specifically designed for Australian students to enjoy and IT activities are integrated. Current language expressions are used so that students can gain confidence and begin to communicate in real situations. Special aspects of French culture are also integrated into the themes: French music, sport, cinema, food and celebrations. Students are also encouraged to enter competitions, participate in role plays and performances and access student exchange programs.

Creativity is an important part of the junior French course. Students gain satisfaction from integrating their language and cultural knowledge and producing a range of language products individually and in small groups. Students can thus experience and appreciate the practical application of their learning.

The Junior Course provides students with a sound basis in French and an excellent preparation for further studies in the Senior School.

**NOTE:** *2 Unit and Extension HSC language courses are a continuation of the Junior courses. Therefore, students wishing to present these subjects at the HSC must have studied them as a Junior elective.*

*Students considering certain university courses such as Liberal Studies and International Studies should note that a language is a prerequisite and must be included in the degree.*

