

Welcome to French Immersion

Congratulations on being selected to join our
French Immersion family



French Immersion @ Benowa

What to expect:

- Our teachers
- Our curriculum
- Your expectations of us
- Our expectations of students

French Immersion Teachers



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ESCOT
French /
Hist Geo
French IB



Jacob
HEILBRONN
Maths



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Christophe
DAVID
Science/
Maths



Erika
SATO
Science/
Maths

Year 7 Immersion Timetable sample

7I	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
House group					
1	Maths	Electives	English	English	Science
1	Maths	Electives	English	English	Science
2	Electives	Hist-Geo	Assembly/PPD	Science	Maths
2	HPE	Hist-Geo	Assembly/PPD	Science	Maths
Morning Tea					
3	Hist-Geo	French	Maths	Maths	English
3	Hist-Geo	French	Maths	Maths	English
Lunch					
4	Science	English	Sport	HPE	French
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What to expect from us

- Proficient and passionate teaching staff.
- A quality program of instruction in Maths, Science, History, Geography and French designed to meet individual needs.
- Quality assurance processes to maintain accreditation with the French Embassy to meet French Bilingual Schools standards.
- Authentic learning opportunities; classroom assistant, French exchange, Language Perfect.
- Opportunities to participate in extra-curricular activities.
- Tutoring offered by teachers and one to one tutoring offered by the French assistant.

French Immersion

Lessons

- Teachers design and teach lessons with that are heavily scaffolded so that students learning is supported and their language acquisition develops simultaneously to their content knowledge.
- Listening, Writing/Grammar, Reading Comprehension and Speaking skills are developed.
- Whole school strategies to improve literacy are also used in Immersion: Eagle and Wolf, Collins writing, Cornell Notes.
- Junior curriculum aligns with ACARA curriculum and core standards across the school. Extension is provided to differentiate students.

Homework

- Language Perfect is used for homework to learn vocabulary.
- Even when students are not set specific homework tasks, they can be revising class notes, making flashcards and using Language Perfect.



What is Language Perfect?

- It is an online language program to help students to master vocabulary and grammar.
- It allows students to practice their language skills in a number of different modes.
- Teachers are able to create tasks specifically relevant to each unit taught and differentiate for different abilities.
- Allows students to progress at their own rate.
- Language Perfect World Championships x 6 (undefeated)

Events in Year 7 French Immersion

For students:

- French Course Graduation Ceremony
- ACER Assessment of Languages Competence Test
- Maths, English and Science national competitions
- Language Perfect World Championships
- French poetry competition
- MLTAQ Griffith University Language speaking competition
- Various excursions
- French club during breaks

For parents:

- Experience day in French Immersion: observe classes to see your child in action



France Trip

School Exchange

- Reciprocal visit with one school in France from Dole in Jura region.
- Includes 3 weeks homestay. Usually travel during June/July holidays.
- The French students usually visit us around Easter time.
- Students should achieve a minimum B standard in French.
- Students are in Year 9 or 10 at the time of travel.

Scholarship Opportunities

- Scholarship opportunities are made available from time to time and students are encouraged to apply.
- Students from Benowa SHS French Immersion have previously been successful in gaining scholarships to study in countries including; New Caledonia, Quebec and Switzerland.



*Due to COVID the French trip is suspended until further notice

What we expect from students

- A clean slate
- An open mind
- Impeccable behaviour
- Dedication to studies and good attendance
- Preparedness for class
- Persistence and resilience
- Taking responsibility for your education
- Basically ... nothing less than the best at all times!

Thank you

See you next year!

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