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Useful vocabulary – Describing life at school

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Verbs – Daily routine

French	English
arriver	to arrive
porter	to wear/carry
s'habiller	to get dressed
rentrer	to go/come back
se lever	to get up
manger	to eat

Verbs – Life at school

French	English
apprendre / apprendre à	to learn/teach someone
choisir	to choose
comprendre	to understand
devenir	to become
durer	to last
étudier	to study
gagner	to win/earn/gain
inspirer	to inspire
interdire de	to forbid, ban
mériter	to deserve
participer à	to participate, take part in
passer les examens	to take exams
réussir à + infinitive/noun	to succeed in + verb/to pass (an exam)
travailler	to work

Nouns – Daily routine and life at school

French	English
le collège	secondary school
les cours (masculine, plural)	blue
les devoirs (masculine, plural)	green
l'élève (masculine)	pupil, student
l'examen (masculine)	exam
la leçon	lesson
le lycée	college / sixth form
la matière	subject
la pause	break, breaktime
le professeur/prof	teacher
le résultat	result
la salle de classe	classroom
la salle d'informatique	IT suite
le terrain	pitch, sports ground
l'uniforme (masculine)	uniform

Useful phrases – School travel

French	English
en bus	by bus
en car	by coach
à pied	on foot
en train	by train
en voiture	by car

Useful phrases - Describing school

French	English
Mon professeur préféré s'appelle...	My favourite teacher is called...
Il y a 1 100 élèves dans mon collège.	There are 1,100 students in my school.
Les profs sont stricts.	The teachers are strict.
Les salles de classe sont modernes/anciennes.	The classrooms are modern/old.
Il y a un grand terrain de sport.	There is a big sports field.
Cette année, je vais passer mes examens.	This year I am going to take my exams.

Useful phrases - Describing the school day

French	English
La journée scolaire commence à huit heures.	The school day begins at eight o'clock.
Je vais au collège à pied/à vélo/en voiture.	I go to school on foot/by bike/by car.
Je prends le bus/car/train pour aller au collège.	I take the bus/coach/train to go to school.
La pause est à 10h 40.	Break is at 10:40.
La pause déjeuner est à 12h30.	The lunch break is at 12:30.
Chaque cours dure une heure.	Each lesson lasts an hour.
Les cours finissent à 15h15.	Lessons finish at 15:15.
Je rentre à la maison vers 15h45.	I get home around 15:45.

Useful phrases - Describing school clubs

French	English
Je fais partie du club de théâtre.	I'm part of the drama club.
Il y a beaucoup de clubs différents au collège.	There are lots of different clubs at school.
Il y a des clubs culturels, comme les clubs de théâtre, de film, de danse et de musique.	There are cultural clubs, such as theatre, film, dance and music clubs.
On peut faire partie des équipes sportives comme le foot, le rugby, le hockey et le netball.	You can be part of sports teams such as football, rugby, hockey and netball.
Il y a quelque chose pour tout le monde.	There is something for everyone.

Higher Tier - Verbs – Daily routine

French	English
conseiller à ... de + infinitive	to advise / recommend (someone + verb)
enseigner à ... à + infinitive	to teach (someone + verb)
profiter de + noun	to make the most of + noun, enjoy + noun
soutenir	to support
terminer	to finish

Higher Tier - Nouns – Daily routine and life at school

French	English
la bibliothèque	library
le comportement	behaviour
le concours	competition
l'enseignement (m)	teaching
l'emploi du temps (m)	timetable
le harcèlement (m)	bullying, harassment
le soutien	support

Higher Tier - Phrases - Describing school clubs

French	English
On peut participer aux clubs qui soutiennent l'environnement ou l'égalité.	You can participate in clubs that support the environment or equality.