

Parents' Handbook

2026-2027



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In-year transfers: transfers@cfbl.org.uk

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Secondary absence: viescolaire@cfbl.org.uk

Learning matters: teacher or form tutor.

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To help us prepare for the new school year and make sure your child has a smooth start, please complete the steps below before the first day of school.

By 18 August 2026

Log in to Eduka and complete the annual **Data Update / Mise à jour des données** form. Check contact details, emergency contacts, medical information and allergies, authorised pick-up adults and permissions.

Access and communications

Make sure you can access Eduka, add CFBL/Mailchimp senders to your safe list and check spam folders regularly.

Before term starts

- ✓ Check the school-supplies list for your child's year group.
- ✓ Buy and label the mandatory CFBL PE kit, required from GS / Year 1.
- ✓ Label clothes, bags, water bottles, lunch boxes and personal items.
- ✓ Read the school rules with your child.
- ✓ Book Garderie, Klubhouse and/or Clubs on Eduka.
- ✓ Note the key dates and parent meetings.
- ✓ Returning secondary pupils: bring back the school badge; replacements cost £10.

Primary supplies Secondary supplies School rules

School year

Autumn term	3 September - 18 December 2026, after school
Autumn half term	16 October after school - 1 November
Christmas holiday	18 December after school - 3 January
Winter term	4 January - 25 March 2027, after school
Winter half term	5 February after school - 22 February inclusive
Spring holiday	25 March after school - 11 April
Spring term	12 April - 1 July 2027, around noon
May half term	28 May after school - 6 June

Inset days: 1-2 September 2026; 22 February 2027; 1 July afternoon; 2 July 2027.

Thursday 3 September

PS / Nursery	3-4 Sept: 8:30-11:15am, no lunch; 7-8 Sept: 8:30am-12 noon with lunch; normal hours from 9 Sept.
MS / Reception	3 Sept at 9:15am; normal hours from 4 Sept.
GS / Year 1	3 Sept at 8:50am; normal hours from 4 Sept.
Years 2-6	Normal hours from 3 September.
Year 7	9:15-11:45am, no lunch.
Year 8	8:30-11:00am, no lunch.
Year 9	1:15-3:15pm.
Year 10	1:30-3:30pm.

Secondary meetings: Year 10 - 3 Sept 5:15pm; Year 8 - 7 Sept 5:15pm; Year 9 - 8 Sept 5:15pm; Year 7 - 10 Sept 5:15pm; Year 10 orientation/DNB - 24 Sept 6pm online. Primary dates will be sent in early September.

School calendar - August to January

August 2026						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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September 2026						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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October 2026						
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November 2026						
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December 2026						
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January 2027						
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Bank holidays Week A Week B School holidays Training / inset days

School calendar - February to July

February 2027						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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March 2027						
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April 2027						
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May 2027						
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June 2027						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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July 2027						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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Bank holidays Week A Week B School holidays Training / inset days

Primary

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:

8:45am-3:30pm

Wednesday: 8:45am-12:15pm

Doors open at 8:30am. Maternelle pupils go to their classrooms; elementary pupils go to the playground. Everyone should be in class by 8:45am.

Entrances: Cathcart Street for PS, MS, GS, CP and CE1; Willes Road for CE2, CM1 and CM2.

Collection is between 3:30 and 3:40pm. After gates close, uncollected children are taken to Garderie.

Secondary

Arrival is from 8:15am. The nine periods run from 8:25am to 5pm. Breaks are

10:15-10:30am and **2:05-2:20pm**. Lunch periods vary by timetable.

Pupils enter through **87 Holmes Road** and wear their CFBL badge. A lost badge costs £10 to replace.

The study room is available until 5pm; after-school clubs are also offered.

8:25-9:20

9:25-10:15

10:30-11:20

11:25-12:15

12:20-1:10

1:15-2:05

2:20-3:10

3:15-4:05

4:10-5:00

For pupil safety and to respect our neighbours, please do not linger outside the school gates after drop-off or collection.

CFBL combines the ambition of the French curriculum with a strong English-speaking, bicultural and international environment, from Nursery to Year 10.



A warm community

More than 60 nationalities represented.

Genuine bilingualism

Two languages and cultures lived every day.

Supported transitions

From primary to secondary, then to French lycées or other systems.

Close individual support

High expectations, pastoral care, SENCO and wellbeing provision.

A rich wider programme

Trips, exchanges, clubs, sport, music, arts, digital culture and pupil projects.

Excellent outcomes

100% pass rate and 100% honours in the latest Brevet results.

The APC, parent representatives and a lively calendar of events all contribute to school life.

CFBL follows the full French national curriculum and enriches learning through bilingual and bicultural teaching.

Primary: the best of both worlds

Each class is taught equally by a French-speaking teacher and a native English-speaking teacher, who plan, teach and assess together. Pupils receive around 13 hours per week in each language.

In maternelle, we cover **100% of the French curriculum** and around **70% of the EYFS framework**. Native English teachers bring different methods and, wherever possible, build on their strengths in arts, creativity, self-expression and active learning - a genuine "best of both worlds" approach.

Secondary

Pupils continue the French curriculum, with five hours per week of English and British culture from Year 7, selected subjects taught in English and a strong modern-languages offer.

The programme prepares pupils for the Diplôme National du Brevet, often with the International Option, and for progression to a French lycée or another education system.

Learning cycles

1

Nursery, Reception,
Year 1

2

Years 2, 3 and 4

3

Years 5, 6 and 7

4

Years 8, 9 and 10

Teachers explain year-group objectives, routines and expectations at the September meetings.

French
national curriculum

EYFS
statutory framework

Primary - Google Classroom

Class news, resources, curriculum information and homework are shared through Google Classroom. Families should check it regularly.

Secondary - Pronote

Timetables, homework, deadlines, grades and school-life information are brought together in Pronote.

Parent-teacher meetings

- Three formal meetings in primary.
- Two formal meetings in secondary.
- A meeting can be requested at any time.

School reports

- Two formal reports per year in primary.
- Three reports per year in secondary, following conseil de classe meetings.

Excellent Brevet results

At the end of Year 10, pupils sit the Diplôme National du Brevet, often with the International Option.

100%

pass rate

100%

with honours

71%

Très bien

Honours	Assez bien	Bien	Très bien
Breakdown	5%	24%	71%

Eduka

Update family and pupil information, re-enrol, book services, receive important messages, pay invoices and access Pronote.

Download the Eduka app and enter school code 572083.

Keeping in touch

The parents' newsletter is sent every three weeks through Mailchimp. It includes important updates, key dates and a safeguarding section.

The APC runs neighbourhood, year-group and new-family WhatsApp groups.

Primary

Google Classroom is the main class-information space: class news, resources, curriculum information and homework.

Secondary

Pronote brings together timetables, homework, grades and school-life information. New pupils also receive an @cfblstudents.org.uk address.

CFBL news

Find school news on the website, Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube and Radio Récré. The icons below are clickable links.



New applications and re-enrolment are managed through Eduka. Current families confirm each year whether their child will return and use the same system to apply for siblings.

Annual re-enrolment

By the end of January, parents confirm their child's place for the following school year and pay the first-term deposit. Previous fees must be fully paid; incomplete re-enrolment may mean loss of priority.

- Create or open the Eduka parent account.
- Complete or check all family and pupil data.
- Confirm the place and pay the advance on time.
- Apply for siblings through the dedicated process.

Leaving CFBL

Families leaving during or at the end of the year should notify transfers@cfbl.org.uk as early as possible.

After Year 10

Year 10 pupils have a guaranteed place in Year 11 at Lycée International de Londres Winston Churchill, while remaining free to apply elsewhere.

Admissions: admissions@cfbl.org.uk **Transfers:** transfers@cfbl.org.uk



School dinners

School fees include a balanced lunch prepared on site: four meals a week in primary and five in secondary. Each day includes homemade soup, a salad bar, two hot mains including a vegetarian option, vegetables and desserts.

Supplies

Lists are published online. Secondary pupils have lockers. Digital textbooks reduce school-bag weight; classroom copies are available. Specific charges may apply for some mathematics equipment and calculators.

PE kit

The CFBL PE kit is mandatory from GS / Year 1 and is available from Ace Sports. It includes a T-shirt, shorts or joggers/ leggings and, depending on the season, a hoodie or windbreaker.

Primary supplies

Secondary supplies

Medical information

Keep medical information, allergies, emergency contacts and any changes during the year up to date in Eduka.

Medication

Pupils must not bring or take medication without written authorisation. Contact the nurse to arrange any treatment needed during the school day.

Nut-free school

CFBL is a nut-free school. Outside food is not permitted unless a medical or administrative exemption has been approved.

Illness

If a child becomes unwell, parents may be asked to collect them. Children should not return for 48 hours after symptoms such as vomiting, diarrhoea, fever or conjunctivitis have stopped.

Lost property

Primary parents may check lost property on Thursdays and Fridays at 3:30pm at the Cathcart Street and Willes Road gates. Secondary pupils can check with Vie Scolaire at any time. Unclaimed clothes are donated to charity at the end of each month.

Please label all clothes and belongings clearly.

School nurse: nurse@cfbl.org.uk

Our aim is to protect a calm, focused and sociable learning environment.

Primary and Year 7

Primary families are strongly encouraged not to buy their child a smartphone. Families entering Year 7 have also voted in favour of a smartphone-free Year 7.

Absence and lateness

Report any absence on the same day with the pupil's first name, surname, class and reason. Give at least 48 hours' notice for planned absence. Illness lasting more than one week requires a medical certificate.

Primary: info@cfbl.org.uk

Secondary: viescolaire@cfbl.org.uk

Years 8, 9 and 10

In Years 8, 9 and 10, any phone brought to CFBL must be switched off and placed in a locked pouch. Pupils keep the pouch, which is opened only at the end of the day or under school supervision. Estimated cost: £10-£15, final amount to be confirmed.

Smartwatches, earbuds and similar connected devices are not permitted during the school day.

School-rules essentials

- Punctuality and regular attendance.
- Respect for adults, pupils, school property and belongings.
- Zero tolerance of bullying, discrimination, insults and violence.
- Health, safety and behaviour expectations apply in class, online, during clubs and trips.

[Full school rules](#)



Summary of School Rules - Primary Students

In the school

 Caps, hats, hoods or other head coverings are not permitted indoors

 I walk quietly and calmly

 I do not go indoors during playtimes or lunchtimes, unless given permission

 I respect the school grounds and furniture

In the playground

 I am punctual

 I put away my scooter or my bike properly.

 No gymnastics, ball games or playing with the racks under the covered playground

 In the big playground, no ball games at lunch time

 I do not touch others' belongings

With staff and students

 I say hello when I see an adult. I am polite with all members of the community

 I respect all adults and my classmates (no homophobic, racist or sexist insults, no rude, violent or inappropriate gestures/actions)

 I do not argue with adults

 I do not eat sweets, chewing gum, pastries, energy drinks or nuts

 I wear my sports kit only on sports days

 I respect the IT charter

What will happen if I do not respect these rules?



Verbal warning

Written assignment

Written warning to parents

Meeting between parents and Primary Head

Temporary exclusion from class or the playground.

Community service/ accountability measures



Summary of School Rules - Secondary Students

On the playground

 I am punctual

 I put away my scooter or my bike properly.

 No gymnastics, ball games or playing with the racks under the covered playground

 In the big playground, no ball games at lunch time

 I do not touch others' belongings

In the school

 I go straight to class after playtime or lunchtime

 I walk quietly and calmly

 I do not go indoors during playtimes or lunchtimes, unless given permission

 I respect the school grounds and furniture

With staff and students

 I say hello when I see an adult. I am polite with all members of the community

 I respect all adults and my classmates (no homophobic, racist or sexist insults, no rude, violent or inappropriate gestures/actions)

 I do not argue with adults

Dress Code

 I make sure to dress appropriately

 I wear my sports kit only on sports days

 Caps, hats, hoods or other head coverings are not permitted indoors

What will happen if I do not respect these rules?



Verbal warning

Written assignment

Written warning to parents

Meeting between parents, the Deputy Head for Secondary and the Head of Pastoral Care

Temporary exclusion from class or the playground

Community service/ accountability measures



At a glance

Located between the first and second floors, the BCD holds more than 6,000 books in French and English, 18 magazines for ages 3-11 and seven Chromebooks.

- Borrow books and magazines.
- Read for pleasure.
- Take part in literary prizes and challenges.
- Meet authors and illustrators.
- Develop research skills.

How it works

- Open every school day.
- PS to CE2 / Nursery to Year 4: one half-class session each week.
- CM1-CM2 / Years 5-6: one session every two weeks.
- Current loans can be viewed in Pronote.
- Report lost items promptly.

[View the BCD catalogue](#)

At a glance

The CDI is on the second floor. It is a workspace for study, research and reading, open to pupils and staff.

Resources

- Novels, stories, graphic novels, poetry and drama.
- Reference books, magazines, dictionaries and encyclopaedias.
- Textbooks, reference works and DNB practice papers.
- Digital and audiovisual resources.
- Careers information, including the ONISEP kiosk.

Opening and use

- Open Monday to Friday, 8:20am-4:20pm.
- Available during study periods, breaks, lunch or with a teacher.
- A trolley of 15 Chromebooks and a printer.
- Supports independence, research skills, reading and cultural awareness.

[View the CDI catalogue](#)

Contact: cdi@cfbl.org.uk



A community-building project

The Houses project began in 2017 to welcome and integrate secondary pupils. Four fantastic animals were created by pupils: Chlorofox, Faeroceler, Bellynxhorse and Lamperfly.

Points and the House Cup

Pupils earn - and can lose - points throughout the year through engagement, behaviour and inter-house competitions. The House with the highest total wins the Cup.

Winning Houses: 2018 Faeroceler; 2019-2021 Chlorofox; 2022 Faeroceler; 2023 Lamperfly; 2024 and 2025 Bellynxhorse.



Each year a Sorting Ceremony places new pupils into the four Houses.



Pupil wellbeing is integral to academic success and personal growth. The team helps every child feel supported, understood and valued.

School Nurse

Full-time support for everyday health needs, medical plans and emergencies.

SENCO

Coordinates special educational needs, adjustments and close work with families.

School Psychologist

Available on Tuesdays, offering a safe and confidential space to talk.

Speech Therapist

Available on Tuesdays to help identify speech and language difficulties and guide support.

Pastoral Care

Supports emotional and social wellbeing with pupils, families and teachers.



Contacts:

nurse@cfbl.org.uk - senco@cfbl.org.uk

psychologue@cfbl.org.uk - orthophoniste@cfbl.org.uk

Safeguarding is one of CFBL's highest priorities. We are committed to a safe, supportive and attentive environment in which every pupil can learn and thrive.

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Marjorie Lacassagne

safeguarding@cfbl.org.uk

Every parent newsletter, sent every three weeks, includes a safeguarding section to help families keep children safe outside school hours.

[CFBL safeguarding page](#)

At home

- Set clear family rules for internet use.
- Use age-appropriate parental controls and filters.
- Talk regularly about what children do online.
- Do not share home addresses, contact details, school information or personal images.
- Tell an adult if anything online feels worrying or uncomfortable.

Most platforms currently set a minimum age of 13. From 2027, the UK plans to set the minimum age for social-media access at 16. Check game age ratings and chat functions.

Emergency: if a child is in immediate danger, call 999. External contacts and procedures are listed on the safeguarding page.

CFBL Clubs runs Garderie, Klubhouse, around fifty clubs each term and the Football League. All bookings are made in Eduka.

1 Sept	Garderie and Klubhouse bookings open
3 Sept	Garderie starts at 3:30pm
7 Sept	Football League bookings open
8 Sept	Club bookings open
9 Sept	Klubhouse starts; PS joins the following week
15 Sept	Football League starts
21 Sept	Clubs start

Garderie

Garderie for maternelle and primary: 8:00-8:30am, then 3:30-5:00pm and 5:00-6:00pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Klubhouse

Klubhouse on Wednesdays from 12:15pm: lunch, recess and activities; collection at 4pm, 5pm or 6pm.

Clubs

Clubs are booked for a full term. Popular activities fill quickly, so book as soon as registration opens.

Contact: clubs@cfbl.org.uk - [020 7993 7417](tel:02079937417)

Indicative programme; it may change slightly before bookings open on 8 September.

Level	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
PS/MS	Art	Danse	Musique	Multisport
GS	Art; Mandarin	Espagnol; Danse	Yoga; Musique	Multisport
CP	Art; Mandarin	Danse; Devoirs	Yoga; Devoirs; Musique; Espagnol	Échecs; Multisport; Lego
CE1	Théâtre; Multisport	Devoirs	Art; Yoga; Espagnol	Danse; Échecs; Guitare; Lego
CE2	Guitare; Théâtre	Devoirs; Espagnol; Football	Yoga; Escrime	Danse; Échecs; Guitare; Lego
CM1	Guitare; Théâtre; Badminton	Art; Espagnol; Hip Hop; Laser Run	Devoirs; Yoga; Creative Writing; Basket	Acrogym; Lego; Guitare; Coding
CM2	Guitare; Théâtre; Laser Run	Art; Espagnol; Hip Hop; Laser Run	Devoirs; Yoga; Creative Writing; Basket	Acrogym; Lego; Guitare; Coding

Exact activities, year groups, fees and availability are published in Eduka.

Indicative programme; it may change slightly before bookings open on 8 September.

Level	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6ème	Badminton; Guitare; Role Play	Drama; Laser Run; Acrogym; Football	Volley/Badminton; Running/Fitness; Art/STEAM	Basket	Coding
5ème	Badminton; Guitare	Drama; Laser Run; Acrogym	Volley/Badminton; Running/Fitness; Art/STEAM	Basket; Football; Role Play	Coding
4ème	Badminton; Guitare	Drama; Laser Run; Mini-Entreprise	Volley/Badminton; Running/Fitness; Art/STEAM	Basket; Football; Role Play	Coding
3ème	Badminton; Guitare	Drama; Laser Run; Aéronautique	Volley/Badminton; Running/Fitness; Art/STEAM	Basket; Football; Role Play; IGCSE Maths	Coding

Indicative enrichment: Mini-Enterprise in Year 9, Aeronautics/BIA and IGCSE Maths support in Year 10, subject to confirmation.



Holiday Camp

Open from MS / Reception to CM2 / Year 6, the camp gives priority to CFBL pupils and children in the admissions process, while keeping some places for external families. Sports, creative workshops, cooking, large-scale games, team challenges, filmmaking and stop-motion create a real holiday atmosphere.

Hours: 9am-4pm, arrival from 8:45am and optional care until 5pm.

19-23 October 2026

5-9 April 2027

5-9 July 2027

Practical information

- Garderie collection via Holmes Road.
- Club collection generally at Cathcart Street.
- Klubhouse at the normal year-group gate.
- Notify absence by 3pm.
- Late collection: £10 per 15 minutes.
- Childcare vouchers and Tax-Free Childcare accepted by arrangement.

Children are released only to an adult authorised in Eduka; ID may be requested.

Clubs terms and conditions



The APC is entirely run by parent volunteers. It represents families, supports projects that benefit pupils and helps build a connected parent community.

Funds raised helped with

- support for children with medical needs;
- help with school-trip costs;
- funding for the "We can make it" garden;
- laptop loans through All Connected;
- parent welcome drinks;
- support for the Hackney Show.

Call for volunteers

You can join the team, lead a project, help regularly or support a single event. It is a great way to meet other families and contribute to life at CFBL.

contactcfblp@gmail.com

APC website

Main events

- Back-to-school picnic;
- parents' evenings once a term;
- Year 7 and 8 pupil parties;
- Winter Fair and Summer Fair;
- talks and Careers Fair;
- galette sale, fundraising and Bag2School.

Services and projects

- School insurance;
- class photographs;
- All Connected project;
- greeting cards and illustrated tea towels;
- Facebook group and WhatsApp communities.

Community

Groups are available by year group, neighbourhood and for new families. Parents can also volunteer as group administrators or class representatives.

[Donate to the APC](#)

[Join the WhatsApp community](#)

Contact: contactcfblp@gmail.com

Dates may change; updates are shared through the newsletter and school communications.

6 Sept 2026	APC back-to-school picnic - Hampstead Heath
12 Sept	Sports Saturday - circus
23-25 Sept	Year 7 Isle of Wight integration trip
26 Sept	Open Day
2 Oct	Open Day
10 Oct	Sports Saturday - roller skating
19-23 Oct	CFBL Camp - MS to Year 6
14 Nov	Sports Saturday - badminton
5 Dec	APC Winter Fair
12 Dec	Sports Saturday - laser run
9 Jan 2027	Sports Saturday - ice skating
15 Jan	Open Day
Late January	APC class photographs
27 Feb	Badminton tournament

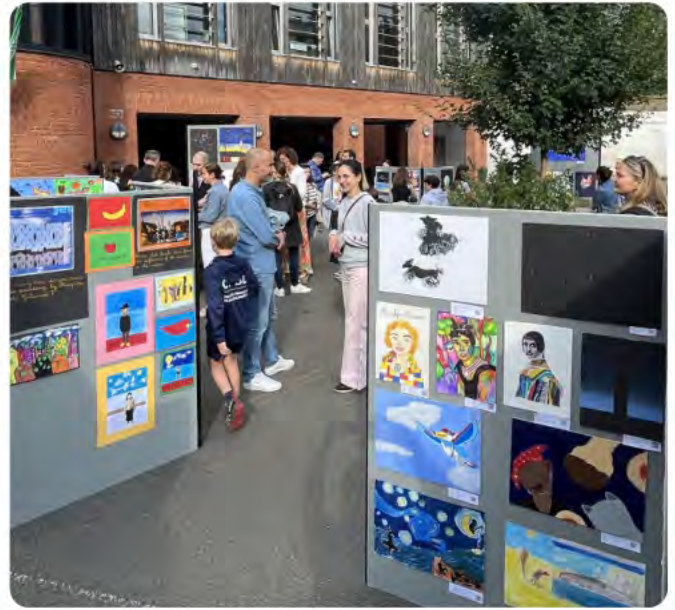
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5-11 March (TBC)	Year 9 Valencia trip
20 March	Sports Saturday - yoga
5-9 April	CFBL Camp - MS to Year 6
17 April	Sports Saturday - running
19-23 April (TBC)	Year 8 Stratford trip
8 May	Open Day
15 May	CFBL Fun Race
18-22 May (TBC)	Year 6 Normandy trip
12 June	Sports Saturday - kayaking
19 June	CFBL 15th anniversary
20-25 June (TBC)	Year 10 Anglet trip
28-29 June	Hackney Show
5-9 July	CFBL Camp - MS to Year 6



Hackney Show

Every pupil from Year 1 to Year 10 performs two to four songs rehearsed throughout the year. Some also take part through dance, circus, rap, orchestra or drama. Siblings perform on the same night; keep both evenings free until the date is confirmed in April/May. Hackney Empire: drop-off around 6:30pm; show 7:00-8:30pm; collection around 8:30-8:45pm. Tickets usually £17-£20.



Summer Fair

The Summer Fair is the primary community celebration organised by the APC: games, stalls, food and fundraising. Parent volunteers are essential.

Festival of the Arts

The Festival of the Arts combines the Fête de la Musique, with pupils, staff and parents invited to perform, and the Art Fair, exhibiting work by every pupil and raising funds for charities chosen by pupils.



CFBL Fun Race

A family fundraising run with distances for different ages and abilities.

Lunch Jams

Once a month, pupils perform for fellow pupils and staff during lunch.

Sports Saturdays

Circus, roller skating, badminton, laser run, ice skating, yoga, running and kayaking; some sessions have age limits.

Brevet graduation

Former Year 10 pupils and parents return on the Saturday before the October break to receive diplomas and share a celebratory snack.

Class photographs

Organised by the APC at the end of January; the date and ordering link are sent to families.

CFBL 15th anniversary

A special celebration is planned for Saturday 19 June 2027.

Timings, tickets, permissions, costumes and collection arrangements are sent a few weeks before each major event.

French Consulate bursaries

Families of French pupils may apply for a means-tested bursary. The pupil must be French, registered on the Registre des Français établis hors de France and living with their family in the UK.

French Scholarship Foundation

The FSF supports families at CFBL and Lycée Churchill facing temporary financial hardship, regardless of nationality. Applications are assessed confidentially and impartially.

APC support

Laptop loans through All Connected; one-off support for school-trip costs; help with Special Educational Needs diagnostic-assessment fees.

Sibling discount

From 2026-2027, families with three or more children enrolled may receive a 4% discount on the eldest child's tuition fees; not cumulative with other reductions.

If circumstances change, contact the school or APC as early as possible, particularly for school trips.

Scholarships and financial aid

Entering Year 7

Thanks to support from the KT Educational Charitable Trust, CFBL offers pupils entering Year 7 tuition-fee reductions of up to **£2,500 per year**, subject to annual review.

- Excellence: outstanding academic attainment.
- Sport: exceptional ability, performance and sportsmanship.
- Music and Arts: outstanding potential or achievement.
- Merit: for pupils at CFBL since Year 3, recognising effort, progress and contribution to school life.

Applications: 7 October-1 November.
Assessments in November. Results in early December.

[Year 7 FECT policy](#)

Bridge FECT - CFBL / Lycée Churchill

The Bridge FECT scholarship supports a limited number of high-potential pupils entering Year 10 and continuing at Lycée Churchill. Value: **£3,000 per year**, subject to annual review. Selection includes mathematics, French and English tests and review by a joint committee.

To retain the scholarship, pupils must complete Year 10 at CFBL, enrol at Lycée Churchill the following year and remain there, while meeting expectations for work, behaviour and contribution.

Applications: 7 October-1 November.
Assessments in November. Results in early December.

[Bridge FECT policy](#)



Outings and residential trips deepen learning, introduce pupils to new places and cultures, and develop independence, teamwork and confidence.

Regular programme

- Year 3: nature trip in the UK;
- Years 4 and 5: curriculum-linked day outings;
- Year 6: Normandy;
- Year 7: integration trip to the Isle of Wight;
- Year 8: Stratford-upon-Avon and/or Iceland;
- Year 9: exchange with Valencia, Munich or another partner linked to the chosen language;
- Year 10: sailing, surfing and outdoor activities in southern France.

Before departure

Families receive dates, destination, cost, payment schedule, travel documents, kit list, medical information and consent requirements. Check passports and visas well in advance.

Families needing financial help should contact CFBL and/or the APC early.



DofE - Bronze

An optional programme for Year 10 pupils combining volunteering, physical activity, skills, training and an expedition. It develops independence, resilience and teamwork.

BIA - Aeronautics

Preparation for Years 9 and 10: principles of flight, meteorology, navigation, safety, aviation history and aeronautical English. In 2026, all 22 candidates passed with honours.

Mini-Enterprise

A club for Year 9 pupils: develop an idea, allocate roles, work as a team, communicate and present a project. This club develops creativity and initiative.

Eligibility, costs, visits, training and exam or expedition dates are shared with relevant families at the start of the year.

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