

## FRENCH SCHOOL OF KUALA LUMPUR – SCHOOL PROFILE YEAR 2019-2020

### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Established in 1962, the French School of Kuala Lumpur (LFKL) is a non-profit school that is part of the AEFE, a unique and worldwide network of 500 French schools in 139 countries.

LFKL students benefit from a high standard French education that includes cultural, artistic, technical, scientific, literary and sports activities.

Classes are provided by qualified French teachers attached to the Ministry of National Education and by professional English native-speaking teachers.

### STUDENTS ENROLMENTS – YEAR 2019-2020

The school currently gathers 720 students from 47 different countries, from kindergarten (3 years old) to high school (18 years old).

<i>Year in the French System</i>	<i>UK equivalence</i>	<i>Number of students enrolled</i>	<i>Class size in average</i>
<i>TPS</i>	Pre-nursery	7	7
<i>PS</i>	Nursery	31	15
<i>MS</i>	Reception	29	15
<i>GS</i>	Year 1	61	20
<i>CP</i>	Year 2	49	20
<i>CE1</i>	Year 3	53	22
<i>CE2</i>	Year 4	62	21
<i>CM1</i>	Year 5	55	18
<i>CM2</i>	Year 6	60	20
<i>6ème</i>	Year 7	53	18
<i>5ème</i>	Year 8	43	21
<i>4ème</i>	Year 9	40	20
<i>3ème</i>	Year 10	41	20
<i>2nde</i>	Year 11	53	26
<i>1ère</i>	Year 12	39	20
<i>Terminale</i>	Year 13	36	12

Classes are small, with a range of 20 to 25 students per class, allowing students to benefit from individual and personalized teaching.

## CLASS EQUIVALENCE LEVELS

Age	France	England & Wales	Scotland	USA	Australia (Jan/Dec)	Malaysia
2.5+	Toute Petite Section - TPS -(TP)					
3+	Petite Section - PS	Nursery	Nursery	Pre-school	Pre-school	Nursery
4+	Moyenne Section - MS	Reception	P1	Pre-school	Pre-school	Pre-school
5+	Grande Section - GS	Year 1	P2	Kindergarten	Year 1	Kindergarten
6+	Cours Préparatoire - CP	Year 2	P3	Grade 1	Year 2	Year 1
7+	Cours Élémentaire 1 - CE1 (E1)	Year 3	P4	Grade 2	Year 3	Year 2
8+	Cours Élémentaire 2 - CE2 - (E2)	Year 4	P5	Grade 3	Year 4	Year 3
9+	Cours Moyen 1 - CM1- (M1)	Year 5	P6	Grade 4	Year 5	Year 4
10+	Cours Moyen 2 - CM2 - (M2)	Year 6	P7	Grade 5	Year 6	Year 5
11+	Sixième	Year 7	S1	Grade 6	Year 7	Year 6
12+	Cinquième	Year 8	S2	Grade 7	Year 8	Year 1
13+	Quatrième	Year 9	S3	Grade 8	Year 9	Year 2
14+	Troisième	Year 10	S4	Grade 9	Year 10	Year 3
15+	Seconde	Year 11	S5	Grade 10	Year 11	Year 4
16+	Première	Year 12	S6	Grade 11	Year 12	Year 5
17+	Terminale - (TE)	Year 13	S7	Grade 12	Year 13	Pre uni

### STUDENTS NATIONALITIES

<i>Nationality</i>	<i>Primary and Secondary School students</i>
<i>French</i>	524
<i>Malaysians</i>	48
<i>Dual French Malaysian citizenship</i>	39
<i>Dual French-other citizenships</i>	69
<i>Other nationalities</i>	38

### OUR CURRICULUM

LFKL students follow a French curriculum leading to the French Baccalaureate that includes a “European section” and cultural, artistic, technical, scientific, literary and sports activities.

An essential part of the elementary school program focuses on the French language and mathematics topics.

In addition to these subjects, students start learning new foreign languages (Mandarin, Bahasa Melayu) and they keep taking part into artistic and sports activities.

New disciplines are introduced in Year 6, such as history, geography, science and technology.

During middle school, various subjects are taught to students:

French, mathematics, history and geography, civic education, life and earth sciences, technology, art, musical education, physical education, physics and chemistry, two modern languages as well as the cross- curricular teaching of the history of art.

Pupils also have to take part in Cross-Curricular Studies, they learn how to work on different news related subjects, to present and create useful informative tools using IT programs.

It allows teachers to evaluate their skills and assignments during group work.

Secondary school students have the opportunity to learn up to **4 different languages (German, Spanish, Mandarin and Bahasa Melayu)** and receive international certifications every year (**Cambridge, DELF, DELE, IELTS, HSK**).

Up to the year 2019-2020, during High School, students from **“Première” Year 12** and **“Terminale” Year 13** were divided into different streams classes leading to the Baccalauréat examination.

The Baccalauréat examination validates student’s knowledge and skills at the end of their last year of high school, it enables them to pursue an excellent higher education in renowned universities in France and abroad. The French School of Lumpur general courses used to consist of three streams (ES (Economics and Social Science), L (Literature) and S (Science) which lead to the General Baccalauréat.

**Starting from year 2020-2021, French Schools will be following a new Baccalaureate program.**

Former sections “S”, “L” and “ES” will be replaced by new **“Speciality courses”**, allowing students to choose new subjects such as (Arts; History-Geography, Geopolitics and Political Science; Human Sciences, Literature and Philosophy; Digital Technology and Computer Science; Foreign Languages, Literatures and Civilisations (English); Mathematics; Physics-Chemistry; Earth and Life Sciences; Economic and Social Sciences) to customize their curriculum.

- Students will start selecting 3 specialty courses (4hours each) in “Première” (Year 12) and then they will go into 2 of these subjects in depth (6hours each) in Terminale.
- Students who wish to may choose 1 optional subject (3hrs) studied in both Première and Terminale. A second optional subject may be added in Terminale (3hrs) from a specific list. The Antiquity Languages and Cultures subject may be taken additionally.
- Students will also all study common subjects (French in Première, philosophy in Terminale, history and geography, moral education and citizenship, two foreign languages, physical education, science).

**More details about the new Baccalauréat can be find on our website here:**  
<https://www.lfkl.edu.my/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/bac2021-q-a.pdf>

## THE EUROPEAN SECTION

The European class (*Section européenne – SE*) is offered to upper secondary school students, from 2<sup>nd</sup> to Terminale, and helps them develop their skills in foreign languages as well as their knowledge of foreign countries' cultures.

At LFKL, this optional class includes two extra hours of teaching per week: one in History/geography and one in English.

In English, the focus is on getting the students to work on their speaking and listening, in the shape of debates (**MUN**), radio broadcasts, presentations, etc.

## EXAMINATION

Baccalauréat examinations are developed at the French national level, with the same exams given in every French School around the world, starting from the end of the Première and Terminale years.

Each section of the Baccalauréat examination consists of a series of essays requiring in-depth analysis and a well-reasoned response.

For the new Baccalauréat students will sit for a first French test in 1ère (written and speaking) and 4 tests in Terminale (2 for the specialisation subjects, 1 philosophy test, 1 final speaking test).

It will include a continuous assessment part which will represent 40% of the final grade divided as per below:

- 10% for the consideration of the 1ère and Terminale transcripts of results in all subjects to encourage students to study regularly.
- 30% for common continuous assessment tests organised within the schools in 1ère and Terminale to credit the students' work.

The Baccalaureate examination is graded on a 20-point scale. A 10/20 or higher is a passing grade. Between 12 and 13.99 receive "Mention Assez Bien" (Honors), between 14 and 15.99 receive "Mention Bien" (High Honors,) and above 16 receive "Mention Très Bien" (Highest Honors). A grade of 20/20 is a perfect score and is rarely awarded. Depending of the subject, a grade of 15 or 16 is considered as an excellent result. For some subjects a grade of 12 can even be considered a fairly good result.

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## LFKL RESULTS

The LFKL is known for its outstanding results at the French national examinations (100% success rate at the Baccalaureate, with 83% of Graduation with honors at the 2019 session).

<i>STREAM</i>	<i>CANDIDATES</i>	<i>PASSED</i>
<i>Litterature</i>	3	7
<i>Economic and Social Science</i>	15	31
<i>Science</i>	28	61
<b>AWARDED GOOD PASS</b>	<b>AWARDED WITH MERIT</b>	<b>AWARDED WITH DISTINCTIONS</b>
9	10	19

## HIGHER EDUCATION OFFER

The French Baccalaureate is recognized all around the world. LFKL enables students to access the best international universities and top higher institutions.

English-speaking universities value the French Baccalaureate for its high examination level, as it is often considered difficult to obtain.