

*“Children who speak more than one language are multiply advantaged over their monolingual playmates – in communication, cognition and social interaction ... Studies show that a bilingual child is better able to cope with tasks that involve attention, memory and concentration. The mental gymnastics needed to constantly manage two or more linguistic systems increases cognitive flexibility and makes learning easier.”*

Source: Cambridge University’s Department of Theoretical and Applied Linguistics

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## La Jolie Ronde French Programme – AUTUMN 2020

Dear Parents of Grimsdyke School,

We hope you are all safe and well and that the children are looking forward to a new term and new learning experiences.

We are delighted to be able to welcome the children back to our **La Jolie Ronde French Programme for Autumn 2020**. Our programme has won the What’s On for Junior Awards for the last 5 years.

We will naturally be following the government guidelines and the schools guidance in order to ensure a safe learning environment for the children. As a result of this our classes will be limited to 10 children per year group. To allow sufficient time for children to wash their hands and settle before teaching commences, we have extended the sessions to one full hour.

The sessions for this term will commence during the week of 14th September, and will run as follows :-

**Year 1 Tuesdays afterschool from 3.30pm to 4.30pm**

**Year 2 Wednesdays afterschool from 3.30pm to 4.30pm**

This is what La Jolie Ronde classes provide:

- A **structured and progressive** language course which holds an Early Language Learning badge awarded by the DTI and supports the National Curriculum Scheme of Work for England and Wales. This means an independent assurance of quality with content which is relevant and works towards academic achievements.
- **An excellent accent** for the children to develop as all teachers are **native speakers** as well as **DBS certified**. At a young age, it is possible to make best use of a child’s ability to listen and copy new sounds, intonation and gesture. Learning, when they are most receptive and uninhibited.
- **Small classes** so your child can receive **plenty of individual attention** and learn with children of his/her own age. **New children joining are integrated fully with recycling of content at several stages.**
- **To achieve a high standard through activities that are interesting, rewarding and fun.**
- An **awareness of France**, its geography and culture.
- **Termly reports on your child’s progress and French certificates** awarded on completion of each stage.

**La Jolie Ronde classes run separately from those offered in the curriculum to children at KS2.** The programme is designed to enhance learning skills and to challenge the children, which means that they not only **excel** in languages, but also become more receptive to learning in other subjects.

Classes are offered at the rate of **£9.00** paid termly in advance.

An integral part of the course is the fun activity book and interactive CD or Smartphone App, to help with your child’s learning at a cost of £15.

**Places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis with priority being given to children who are already enrolled on the programme;** to ensure your child has a place with La Jolie Ronde, please email your child’s name, class name, as well as your telephone contact details, to [raksha.d.kotecha@gmail.com](mailto:raksha.d.kotecha@gmail.com) or call **07956 230060** for more details. An enrolment pack will then be sent after a place is confirmed. Please also visit our website at [www.lajolieronde.co.uk](http://www.lajolieronde.co.uk).

Kind regards,  
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