

CM1 (UK Year 5) Application Details

Class Details

Bilingual: Native-level English and French Students are enrolled in a French “Ecole Élémentaire” (‘Ecole du Secteur’) for the French portion of the programme, then released twice a week to attend British Section classes. Children who enrol in this class must be native English speakers and be ready to learn to read and write *simultaneously* in two languages.

Estimated spaces available for 2026-27: 2, mostly *FS* at Lycée site.

Eligibility

- **Age:** Candidates must be born in **2017** to enrol in this class (9 years old).
- **Level of English:** Applicants must possess age-appropriate native-level English (spoken, written, comprehension) to be considered for this programme.

Applications

Applications should be submitted online [via the British Section website](#) in December 2025 for the following school year. The non-refundable application fee is €200.

Testing

Candidates are assessed using a comprehension exercise and a creative-writing task. We are looking for imagination/creative thinking and logical thought, as well as a good vocabulary, effective sentence construction, and accurate spelling and punctuation appropriate to the child’s age. The candidates may also participate in a (group) discussion with a British Section teacher. The assessment lasts approximately an hour and a half.

Testing will take place in March and will be conducted in person whenever possible. Online testing is available for families who live **outside** Europe.

French Immersion/*Français Spécial*

This is a specialised programme for candidates who do not yet speak French or who have limited knowledge of the language. The class is composed of 15-20 new students, coming from all of the world. Students work with a specialised French teacher from September to June to develop their knowledge of French while maintaining their native level of English with the British Section. This is usually a joint-level class (CM1/CM2). By the end of the academic year, français spécial students should have developed a high level of French proficiency which will then allow them to integrate into a regular French class the following year for the French curriculum.

Curriculum

Details of the CM1 curriculum can be found [here](#)

Timeline

- December 1 2025 - January 9 2026: pay non-refundable admission fee of €200
- January 16 2026: last day to complete online application forms
- March 19 2026: testing
- May / June: acceptances sent

Required documents

- Cover letter from parents
- Birth certificate / passport
- Photo
- *Dossier d'inscription* form
- School reports covering last two years (if possible)
- Two recent examples of written expression (corrected schoolwork) in English.
- School reference (the template will be provided with the online application form)

Class Schedule:

Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings.

Fees

- €3972 pa (reduced rate, if family paying)
- €7492 pa (standard rates, if employer paying)
- One-off registration fee of €1500
- An advance on tuition fees €500 per child

Site Options

Location: Ecole Félix Eboué

Schedule: Full-time

Spaces available for 2026-27 academic year: 0 - Dependent on departures.

The British Section welcomes approximately 85 students at this partner school located in Le Pecq. Students attend their British Section classes as well as their French classes on this site. This is the only placement option with after-school care.

Location: Ecole Internationale

Schedule: Externé

Externé spaces for the 2026-27 academic year: 0-1

This is a part-time option in which students come to the Lycée campus two half-days per week for their British Section classes. The rest of the time they attend their local French school. Please note that the majority of all primary students at the Lycée are *externés* (Currently 750 students from 13 international sections). *Externé* students may request a full-time place in successive years depending upon space availability.

Location: Ecole Internationale

Schedule: Français Spécial Full-time

Spaces available for the 2026-27 academic year: 1-2

There are a limited number of spaces available.