

French: Les fruits

Swallows Class Spring Term 3



Vocabulary

une pomme	apple
une cerise	cherry
une prune	plum
une banane	banana
une poire	pear
une fraise	strawberry
une pêche	peach
une orange	orange
un abricot	apricot
un kiwi	kiwi
J'aime	I like
Je n'aime pas	I do not like

Key Knowledge

Grammar we will learn & revisit:

Nouns, gender, articles/determiners and plural form. We will be exploring the concept of gender in French and starting to understand better that nouns in French are either masculine or feminine. Learning that gender will affect other words in a sentence like the indefinite article/determiner which has two forms: un and une. Understanding that the plural definite article/determiner is les in French and seeing that this is not affected by gender. There is only one plural option. Exploring how to make the fruits plural in French.

Phonics & pronunciation we will see:

- OI sound in poire
- Silent letters. We will see that the letter 's' is not pronounced in 'les' or the plural version of the fruits as final consonants are nearly always silent letters in French.
- Liaison. Understanding better that liaison is the word to explain what happens with pronunciation when a word that ends in a normally silent consonant is followed by a word starting with a vowel. The normally silent 's' in les is pronounced in les oranges and les abricots as both those fruits start with a vowel but the 's' almost sounds like a 'z'. This happens often in French.
- Guttural 'R'. Becoming more familiar with the French 'r' sound as seen in fraise, orange, poire, prune, cerise & abricot. Made from the back of the mouth, not the front.

