





THE FUTURE OF FRENCH EN ÉCOSSE

Spotlight on the Franco-British
Youth Ocean Conference



Overall context

- ❖ Language Trends Scotland findings for French and international engagement
- ❖ Feedback from schools
- ❖ School partnerships
- ❖ French Forward – skills, global citizenship, cultural connections



The project

- ❖ Year of the Sea
- ❖ Lead partners
- ❖ School participants
- ❖ Pre-conference activities
- ❖ Paris conference
- ❖ Lasting partnerships



All the young people here tried to move things forward



‘My best memory from the conference was doing the hallway discussions as I loved being able to attempt to speak in French in new contexts and although it was challenging it was really beneficial for my French!! I found it very interesting being able to negotiate with the other delegates/ countries and having to make alliances with them as you had to use your critical thinking skills and choose the different parts of the text to negotiate based on which country you were speaking to!’



‘The most significant benefit of the conference for my pupils was to communicate in French with French pupils. I also think the overall experience [going to Paris, meeting French people, eating French food but also having to come out of their comfort zone, especially during the negotiations in the conference, will have an immense impact on them.]’

Support and practicalities



- ❖ Application process
- ❖ Webinars and info sessions
- ❖ Funding
- ❖ Partnership support
- ❖ Teacher enthusiasm

Looking forward

- ❖ School partnerships
- ❖ Shared online platforms
- ❖ Ocean/climate challenges
- ❖ British Council Schools Partner Finder
- ❖ Opportunities through Erasmus+



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