



Intent, Implementation and Impact for MFL

Intent

At Woodthorpe, our intent is to provide all of our children with a high-quality education in Modern Foreign Languages (MFL), we aim to foster a love of learning languages and an appreciation of, and respect for, other cultures. In Key Stage 2 our current MFL taught is French, however, we strive to provide children with opportunities to experience a range of other languages too. It is our intention to ensure that by the end of our children's primary education, they have acquired an understanding of both spoken and written French, confidence to speak in French with others and know how important other languages can be in their future.

Implementation

Our MFL curriculum is designed to develop not only our children's language skills but also their love of learning a language. From Y3 our planning progressively develops language skills, through regularly taught lessons. This allows the children to acquire new language then use and apply it in a range of different scenarios and topics. Children are encouraged and supported to develop their speaking and listening skills through conversational work, singing activities and games. As their confidence and skill grow, children record their work through pictures, captions and sentences. They learn how to have basic conversations in French with each other, sharing ideas and opinions as well as being able to ask and answer questions about themselves. Children explore the patterns and sounds of French through stories, songs, rhymes and games in a fun and engaging way. French is taught through interesting and relevant topics including greetings, numbers, age, animals, parts of the body, food, sports, clothes, weather, hobbies – all which broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words. As they progress in Key Stage 2, children will see much more of the written language and build on their early skills, allowing them to speak, write and listen with much more skill.

Impact

At Woodthorpe, our MFL curriculum will ensure all pupils develop key language learning skills set out by the national curriculum, as well as a love of languages and learning about other cultures. By studying a foreign language, our children are given the opportunity not only to learn another language but, more importantly, to develop cultural understanding and to communicate with others too. We believe learning a second language is extremely beneficial in our global society and starting from an early age will broaden their horizons later in life.