



FRENCH

Intention, Implementation Impact

Intention

French offers a carefully planned sequence of lessons, ensuring progressive coverage of the skills required by the national curriculum. Our chosen themes introduce the children to the culture of French-speaking countries and communities. It aims to foster children's curiosity and help deepen their understanding of the world. A linear curriculum has been chosen to allow opportunity for children to gradually build on their skills. French enables children to express their ideas and thoughts in French and provides opportunities to interact and communicate with others both in speech and in writing. At the heart of our French curriculum, is the desire to expose children to authentic French, so our most competent French speaking staff deliver lessons along with opportunities to hear people speaking French. In Lower KS2, children acquire basic skills and understanding of French with a strong emphasis placed on developing their Speaking and Listening skills. These will be embedded and further developed in Upper KS2, alongside further developing reading and writing, gradually progressing onto more complex language concepts and greater learner autonomy. We intend to inspire pupils to develop a love of languages and to expand their horizons to other countries, cultures and people. We aim to help children grow into curious, confident and reflective language learners and to provide them with a foundation that will equip them for further language studies.

Implementation

Lessons are sequenced so that prior learning is considered and opportunities for revision of language and grammar are built in. Our lessons and resources help children to build on prior knowledge alongside the introduction of new skills. Our planning provides structure and context as well as offering an insight into the culture of French-speaking countries and communities. The introduction and revision of key vocabulary and grammatical structures is built into each lesson. This vocabulary is then included in teaching materials and additional resources so that children have opportunities to repeat and revise their learning. French teaching in our school has been designed by our language 'specialists', so that progress, quality and experience is key. All of our lessons include teaching, peer support/guidance, accurate language subject knowledge expectations and accompanying audio/online materials where appropriate.

Impact

Using the full range of resources, including display materials on online resources, we have a high profile of languages across school. The learning environment includes daily spoken French by all learners e.g. register time. We want to ensure that French is loved by teachers and pupils across school, therefore encouraging them to embark on further language studies as they mature and grow. Impact can be measured through questioning built into lessons, records of work and conversations, child-led assessment and next steps in learning. The progression and impact is monitored by the lead teachers for the subject.