



Burnopfield Primary School

Modern Foreign Languages Policy

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As the UK is becoming an increasingly multicultural society, we have a duty to provide our children with an understanding of other cultures and languages. All KS2 children are to learn a language other than English. At Burnopfield Primary we believe strongly in the benefit of this and have therefore implemented the teaching of French for all children from Year 3 to Year 6.

Foundation Stage and Year 1 and 2 children will be prepared for the learning of a foreign language by immersion in other cultures through games, songs and activities. We encourage a whole school approach which begins when children enter the school.

Learning a language enriches the curriculum, providing excitement, enjoyment and challenge for children and teachers, helping to create enthusiastic learners and to develop positive attitudes to language learning throughout life. The natural links between languages and other areas of the curriculum can enhance the overall teaching and learning experience. The skills, knowledge and understanding gained make a major contribution to the development of children's oracy and literacy and to their understanding of their own culture/s and those of others. Language also lies at the heart of ideas about individual identity and community, and learning another language can do a great deal to shape children's ideas in this critical area as well as giving them a new perspective on their own language.

Our aims of teaching MFL are for children to:

- Foster an interest in learning another language. Become aware that language has a structure, and that this structure differs from one language to another.
- Develop speaking and listening skills.
- Develop aspirational goals: by broadening their horizons; learning about other countries and cultures; and raising awareness of potential careers which involve language skills through visitors and lessons.

- Learn about influential French people. This can be done through in French lessons, It's in the news and any other topic lesson.
- Gain enjoyment, pride and a sense of achievement. Explore and apply strategies to improve their learning.

MFL teaching on a weekly basis became a statutory National Curriculum requirement for KS2 children. We will use the KS2 National Curriculum to guide us on curriculum content and CGP Salut as the basis for implementing the aims and requirements of the programme of study for MFL so children leave our school with a secure knowledge of French and have a passion to develop this at secondary school.

Lesson Content:

The French lessons are to include:

- Learning French vocabulary.
- Asking and answering questions.
- Teaching of basic French grammar and spelling patterns.
- Playing games and learning songs.
- Using language that has been taught in role play situations.
- Researching and learning about life in France.
- Beginning to write phrases and sentences.

French will be used in displays that relate to the children's learning.

The subject leader will keep samples of children's work in a portfolio. This demonstrates what the expected level of achievement is in MFL in each year.

Monitoring of the standards of children's work and the quality of teaching in MFL is the responsibility of subject leader. The work of the subject leader also involves supporting colleagues in their teaching, being informed about current developments in the subject, and providing a strategic lead and direction for MFL in the school.

This policy will be reviewed when necessary to ensure the information is relevant and up to date with current developments.