



Colwich CE Primary School Curriculum Statement

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES – French

God is love, so we: Learn to Love; Love to Learn; Learn for life

"One language sets you in a corridor for life. Two languages open every door along the way."

Frank Smith

"A different language is a different vision of life."

Federico Fellini

Intent

At Colwich CE Primary School, the intent of our in Modern Foreign Language Curriculum, is to develop an interest in and thirst for learning other languages. We aim to introduce the learning of the French language and the understanding of its culture in enjoyable and stimulating ways. We plan to teach a progressive curriculum in Key Stage 2, and we value the importance of children developing an understanding of the world around them through learning a second language which will foster pupils' curiosity.

A Colwich linguist is someone who shows:

- *the confidence to speak with good intonation and pronunciation*
- *fluency in reading*
- *fluency and imagination in writing*
- *a strong awareness of the culture of the countries where the language is spoken*
- *a passion for languages, and a commitment to the subject*
- *the ability to use language creatively and spontaneously*
- *an independence in their studies, and the ability to draw upon a wide range of resources*

Implementation

The Scheme of Learning Colwich uses for teaching French in KS2 follows the National Curriculum and Euro Stars. This allows for appropriate sequencing and aims to secure long-term memory as well as the enjoyment of learning a MFL. The key areas of speaking and listening, reading and writing, and grammar are developed throughout KS2 in order to prepare children for secondary education and equip pupils to study and work in other countries if desired.

French at Colwich CE Primary School:

- Children in KS2 are taught French in a weekly discreet lesson.
- Each year group has their own six units to work through over the academic year. They ensure development is progressive as they build on previous knowledge from units already covered.
- The units cover a range of different topics building up a bank of vocabulary and skills in speaking and listening and reading and writing French.
- Where necessary, staff will use the 'animations' within the Euro Stars scheme to support the delivery and pronunciations of vocabulary and use other resources such as 'Duolingo' and 'Google' for support as required. This ensure the correct pronunciations are shared with the children to assist their learning if staff are not fluent as a French speaker themselves.
- Success criteria's in French lesson are set in order to guide children to achieve their full potential. This ensures work is demanding and matches the aims of the curriculum.

Impact

The impact of our French teaching at Colwich CE Primary School in Key Stage 2 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.

These are as follows:

- understand and respond to spoken and written language from a variety of authentic sources
- speak with increasing confidence, fluency and spontaneity, finding ways of communicating what they want to say, including through discussion and asking questions, and continually improving the accuracy of their pronunciation and intonation
- can write at varying length, for different purposes and audiences, using the variety of grammatical structures that they have learnt
- discover and develop an appreciation of a range of writing in the language studied
- Through French, children deepen their appreciation of their faith and fulfil their God-given talents.
- Cultural capital opportunities have enriched the lives of the children and they are able to discuss how their experiences impacted their knowledge and understanding.
- Children of all abilities and backgrounds achieve well in French, with a clear progression of skills taught that reveals a clear learning journey. Children talk enthusiastically about their learning in French and are eager to further their learning in the next stages of their education.
- Through wider reading and experiences in French, children will gain an appreciation and understanding of the country and some of its historical links to other parts of the world and historical events.