

Eastling Primary School



Policy for the teaching of Modern Foreign languages

Aims

At Eastling MFL is about raising awareness that languages other than English exist and

- to develop positive attitudes to other languages and cultures;
- to introduce children to simple vocabulary and structures which can be used in a variety of contexts in the normal school day e.g. date, classroom organisation, routines, songs thus making MFL use normal and developing confidence;
- to make pupils aware of aspects of mother tongue by encountering other languages
- to make pupils aware of aspects of home culture by encountering other cultures and raising awareness of citizenship issues.
- to prepare for specialist languages teaching in secondary school

Curriculum

A structured program is used for French across Year 2 and KS2.

Each of the four main learning aims and the twelve content points for the Key Stage 2 National Curriculum for Languages are revisited throughout the four-year scheme, ensuring that pupils have every opportunity to make progress in their:

- knowledge about language;
- language-learning strategies;
- functional knowledge and use of grammar and spelling;
- intercultural understanding;
- speaking, listening, reading and writing skills.

The following topics are explored to help children develop competence in vocabulary including:

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| ✓ Greetings | ✓ Names | ✓ Numbers |
| ✓ Colours | ✓ Days and months | |

At Eastling children have experience of French through their educational career.

Cross curricular links

- Pupils can enhance speaking and listening in another language.
- They can take elements of the learning and apply it in other contexts, e.g. learn numbers and then use them in mathematical applications.
- There is ample opportunity for singing.
- ICT - Language Angels materials in French to practise the language.
- It is possible to look at aspects of the culture of other countries' history, geography, art and music.

Continuity and progression

A structured program is used for French across KS2 ensuring progression of knowledge and skills.

Assessment

The school will follow the assessment guidelines given in the National Curriculum

Resources

Within the school there are a range of resources for the teaching of MFL:

- ✓ Language Angels
- ✓ Online resources.

Evaluation

- The school shows evidence of commitment to MFL by using it in class and whole school situations such as assembly
- Signs around the school
- Developing links with schools abroad