



MFL Curriculum Statement

Intent

At St. George's, we aim to instil our pupils with a love of language learning and provide them with an awareness of other cultures, ensuring that they gain enjoyment, pride and a sense of achievement at learning another language and to explore their own cultural identities and those of others. We want pupils to develop the confidence to communicate in French for practical purposes, using both written and spoken French. We aim to give pupils a foundation for language learning that encourages and enables them to apply their skills to learning further languages, developing a strong understanding of the English language and opening opportunities to study and work in other countries in the future.

Children will:

- Listen to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding.
- Explore and appreciate the patterns and sounds of the language through stories, songs, poems and rhymes.
- Speak in sentences, engage in conversations, present ideas and information orally and develop accurate pronunciation and intonation.
- Read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing.
- Broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words.
- Write phrases from memory and adapt these to create new sentences.
- Describe people, places, things and actions orally and in writing.

Implementation

At St. George's, we try to ensure that we provide a rich French curriculum, with memorable lessons and experiences. To inspire our children to write and speak a foreign language, we are now using the Kapow French scheme of work. Our French lessons are planned to systematically follow a progression of knowledge and skills, focussing on the key curriculum elements of speaking and listening, reading and writing. Through the Kapow scheme of work, grammar and phonics learning will also be embedded within the lessons. Pupils are given opportunities to communicate for practical purposes around familiar subjects and routines. Using Kapow, lessons will provide engaging hooks and outcomes for the children and support the correct punctuation and intonation when speaking and listening.

French is taught weekly/ fortnightly to provide progression and repetitive reinforcement. Teacher will try to incorporate French into everyday activities such as general greetings, taking the register, simple classroom commands. Lessons are interactive, engaging and fun, and French is spoken as much as possible.

We implement our intent through:

- Ensuring that staff have the key knowledge and vocabulary to enable pupils to receive the appropriate coverage within each unit of work.
- Teaching should provide an appropriate balance of spoken and written language to lay the foundation for further language teaching.



- The focus of study is on practical communication.
- Quizzes and recall activities are planned into the timetable to ensure children's learning is retained.
- Staff will adopt an adaptive curriculum to take account different learning needs; meaning all pupils access an ambitious languages curriculum.
- French to be planned into enrichment activities to provide further opportunities to develop their skills.

Impact

Through careful planning and delivery, children will develop a love for languages and a willingness to experiment and learn new languages, developing confidence to speak, ask questions and communicate with others in our target language of French. They will be able to write and recognise simple sentences in French. Most importantly, they will acquire knowledge about France in order to develop global citizenship and encourage them to become active, responsible and caring members of the wider community. With this knowledge, they should have the resilience and a greater desire to continue to develop a love of learning of foreign languages in the next phase of their education.

We will know our impact has been effective through:

- Pupil discussions about their learning.
- Class teachers and subject leaders monitor children's understanding, knowledge and skills. This is then used to inform differentiation, challenge and support.
- By analysing children's written work and matching this to the key knowledge that they need to remember at each stage of their learning, based on planning overviews.
- An understanding in pupils of how each unit of work links to another.
- Regular quizzes and recall sessions.
- Assessed reflection of standards achieved against the planned outcomes.