

Languages Intent



Key Purpose

Why is this subject important?

- Learning a foreign language opens children's eyes to the wider world and how other people live.
- Language learning fosters children's curiosity and deepens their understanding of the world.
- Language learning helps children to develop 'an ear' for language which will help them in their knowledge of their native language and in any future language-learning.
- Language learning develops communication skills and provides opportunities to communicate in other languages.

Key Principles

What are the distinctive ways of knowing, working and learning in this subject?

- A high quality foreign language education provides children with opportunities to listen, speak, read and write in the target language.
- Pupils are encouraged to make links between the target language and their native language which will enhance their knowledge of language overall.
- Language learning provides the children with an opportunity to engage in a subject unlike any other on the curriculum and from a relatively 'level playing field'.

Expectations

What does success look like in this subject?

- Children should make substantial progress in one target language by the end of Key Stage 2.
- Children should develop knowledge of phonology, grammatical structures and vocabulary in the target language.
- Success in primary language learning should focus on practical communication.