

‘Shine like stars’ Philippians 2:15

All of our curriculum is designed so all children have the opportunity to grow and develop the gifts that God has given to them and to know their value and worth in His world.

MFL Vision Statement

Intent

It is our intent at **Lowdham CofE Primary School** to provide our KS2 children with a high-quality education in Modern Foreign Languages (MFL), which develops their love of learning other languages and cultures. Our current MFL taught is French. In Lower KS2, children acquire basic skills and understanding of French with a strong emphasis placed on developing their Speaking and Listening skills. These will be embedded and further developed in Upper KS2, alongside Reading and Writing, gradually progressing onto more complex language concepts and greater learner autonomy.

We hope that when children leave Lowdham Primary, they will have gained confidence to explore other countries, appreciate the diversity of cultures and languages, accepting that, in a multi-lingual society, it is a valuable skill to be able to communicate effectively with others in another language.

Implementation

Our MFL curriculum is designed to develop language skills, through regularly taught lessons. We currently use ‘Lightbulb Languages’ to support our teaching of French. This allows the children to acquire new language then use and apply it in a range of different scenarios and topics. Children are encouraged and supported to develop their speaking and listening skills through conversational work, singing activities and games. As their confidence and skill grows, children record their work through pictures, captions and sentences.

We celebrate Bastille Day every July with the whole of KS2 where children get to experience French culture. Children participate in French food tasting and have a selection of French-themed activities to partake in. We aim to build the children’s ‘culture capital’ so that they are aware of similarities and differences between cultures.

We work together with partner secondary schools who provide UKS2 with a variety of activities to promote their engagement in the subject as well as provide them with the knowledge and skills necessary, to continue their studies successfully at Secondary School.

Impact

Our MFL curriculum will ensure all pupils develop key language learning skills set out by the national curriculum. Impact will be measured through key questioning skills built into lessons, child-led assessment such as success criteria grids, jigsaw targets and summative assessments aimed at targeting next steps in learning.

Pupil voice is also used to further develop the MFL curriculum. This is achieved through the subject leader spending time questioning pupils' views and attitudes to learning a language. By introducing and exposing our children to other languages and cultures, they will have a deepened ability to show respect and play a valuable part in our global society.