

MFL Curriculum Statement – September 2022

Our School Vision:

Our aim is for all to belong to a safe and happy community which celebrates our diversity and differences. Our children will be well prepared for the next step of their journey as responsible citizens. We aspire for all to flourish.

<u>Intent</u>

At St Mary and St Giles Primary School, we aim to foster inquisitiveness into Modern Foreign Languages. Through deepening pupils' understanding of language and culture of other countries they can widen their understanding of the world. Language teaching provides the foundation of learning further languages, equipping pupils with the necessary skills and knowledge to study and work in other countries. Weaving through all of our Modern Foreign Languages teaching, is a commitment to enhancing and promoting our core Christian values; Responsibility, Wisdom, Love, Kindness and Thankfulness.

Implementation

Our whole curriculum is shaped by our school vision which aims to enable all children, regardless of background, ability, additional needs, to become responsible citizens and flourish. It is underpinned by our curriculum drivers:

Ment	Opportunity	We strive to provide a range of opportunities to excite, motivate and enthuse our children. This includes annual Language Days. We want our children to broaden their aspirations and make real life links through their learning.
	Enquiry	A variety of teaching techniques are used to encourage pupils to have an active engagement in languages, such as; games, role play, action songs, stories. Whenever possible we invite native speakers into the classroom to provide an excellent model of the spoken language as well as to enhance their cultural understanding.
	Language	Language-rich environments and lessons develop a rich vocabulary which we want our children to use confidently and accurately. We want to develop expressive and articulate young people who have a broad conversational vocabulary.

We teach the National Curriculum, supported by a clear skills and knowledge progression. This ensures that skills and knowledge are built on year by year and sequenced appropriately to maximise learning for all children. It is important that the children develop the progressive skills of a conversational linguist throughout their time at St Mary and St Giles and do not just learn a series of

vocabulary lists. Every summer we plan a whole school 'Language Day'. This is an incredible enrichment opportunity for all pupils to immerse themselves into the French language, culture and traditions.

<u>Impact</u>

By the time the children at St Mary and St Giles leave our school they should have developed:

- The courage and confidence to speak in another language with good intonation and pronunciation.
- To have a passion for learning about new cultures and new languages.
- To have strong awareness for different languages, cultures and traditions.