



St Augustine's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES STATEMENT OF INTENT

At St. Augustine's the core Modern Foreign Language taught is Spanish. Our planning is based ensures a progression of skills. It is our intention that all children in KS2 will access and succeed in Spanish, in preparation of their KS3 MFL curriculum. Children in KS1 will be introduced to the language.

Our Aims:

- To develop an interest in learning other languages.
- To introduce children to another language in a way that is enjoyable and stimulating.
- To encourage children's confidence and creative skills which will be transferrable across their Primary curriculum
- To read fluently and understand the main points and some of the detail in short written texts.
- To speak confidently: understand the main points in spoken language, give short talks and take part in conversations.
- To understand a different culture and help children develop their awareness of cultural differences in other countries to ours

Implementation:

Children are introduced to Spanish in EYFS through songs and rhymes, enabling them to develop early language acquisition skills and improving understanding of the patterns of language and how these differ from or are similar to English. In KS2, each class has a timetabled Spanish lesson of 30 minutes per week to develop the skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing within the subject.

- Children are taught to listen attentively to spoken language and respond, as well as developing these skills
- Links will be established with local secondary schools and the possibility of children from KS3 visit to disseminate language learning to the children.
- Children will make links with children in Spanish, with regular correspondence taking place.
- Children develop an appreciation of a variety of stories, songs, poems and rhymes in Spanish that are delivered throughout the curriculum
- French Week enables the whole school to be immersed in the inclusion of the culture and use the language meaningfully in context

Impact

Our MFL curriculum is engaging and inspiring, well-resourced and planned to demonstrate progression through Key Stage 2. In addition, we measure the impact of our curriculum through:

- Pupil interviews about their learning
- Monitoring and reflection against subject-specific skills defined in each year of study
- Children applying their knowledge of language to other areas of the curriculum
- Children applying their cultural understanding and tolerance across society and cultures

