



Leigh C of E Academy

Languages Curriculum Statement



The languages curriculum at Leigh Church of England Academy will ensure that all children leave our school with a love, understanding and a deep body of knowledge for languages, in particular French, and how this impacts on the world in which we live. We believe languages is essential to ensure we develop future generations who can contribute fully to the wider world and the workplace.

Our curriculum is sequenced coherently using the French Primary Languages Scheme of Work so that the children will have the confidence and motivation to continue to further develop their skills into the next stage of their education and life experiences. Children have 30-minutes of weekly lessons in French throughout Key Stage 2 as well as opportunities to practice and apply their learned skills at transition and routine times. Foundation Stage and KS1 teachers are encouraged to enhance the learning environment to emphasise a multicultural understanding, to share texts and celebrations throughout the year from various cultures and to use and display different languages to greet pupils and promote a variety of cultures. As a school we will celebrate the diverse languages and cultures within our school family.

The French Primary Languages Scheme of Work allows children to build upon their prior knowledge and increases their enthusiasm for the topics whilst embedding this procedural knowledge into the long-term memory so that children know more and remember more. As this is a new scheme of work to Key Stage 2 we have decided to start all year groups from Yr3-6 on the Stage 1 level and each subsequent year we will introduce the next Stage.

- Year 2020 - Yrs 3-6 learn Stage 1
- Year 2021 - Yr 3 learns Stage 1 and Years 4-6 learn Stage 2
- Year 2022 - Yr 3 learn Stage 1, Year 4 learn Stage 2 and Years 5 and 6 learn Stage 3
- Year 2023 - Yr 3 learn Stage 1, Year 4 learn Stage 2, Years 5 learn Stage 3 and Year 6 learn stage 4.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Foundation and Key Stage 1	To enhance the provision and emphasise a multi-cultural understanding using texts, celebrations throughout the year from various cultures, exposure to different languages to welcome and dismiss pupils, displays and resources which promote a variety of cultures and backgrounds. <i>European Languages Day 26th September 2021</i>					
Year 3 (Stage 1)	A new start 1a Getting to know you 1b Numbers 1c Colours <i>European Languages Day 26th September 2021</i>	The calendar and celebrations 2a Bonfire night colours 2b Commands colours numbers 2c Calendar time 2d Christmas story night	Animals I like and don't like 1a Epiphany celebrations 1b Animals around us	Carnival and playground games 2a Carnival & playground games 2b Easter celebrations	Breakfast, fruit, noisies, hungry giant 1 The Hungry Giant	Going on a picnic 2a Map Explorers Gingerbread men 2b Going on a Picnic
Year 4-6 (Stage 2)	Welcome to school 1 Welcome to school super learners	My local area, your local area 2a Bonfire night poem 2b Robots commands actions 2c Shops, signs and directions 2d Christmas sparkle	Family tree and faces 1a Epiphany time again 1b Meet the alien family	Celebrating carnival / body parts 2a Carnival of animals 2b Body parts and aliens 2c Alien family Easter Egg hunt	Feeling unwell / Jungle animals 1a I don't feel well 1b Walking through the jungle	Summertime 2a Weather 2b Ice cream
Stage 5 and 6 To be add in 2022 and 2023 until French is completely progressive across Years 3-6						

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In Early years, languages is taught through the children learning about the world around them in their learning through play and is covered under the 'PSED' and 'Understanding the World' area of the EYFS curriculum. Languages is introduced through activities that encourage children to use to develop empathy and understanding towards everyone and to look at their immediate and local environment as well as the cultural diversity within their home and school life. They will be encouraged to think about and discuss the similarities between themselves and others and recognise that there is a wider world beyond their own understanding. These activities are planned around the children's interests.

At Leigh Church of England Academy, in conjunction with the aims of the National Curriculum, our Languages teaching offers opportunities for children to:

- Experience high quality learning experiences through a broad and balanced languages curriculum.
- Develop an understanding of key language, literacy and communication skills and how this can be applied to everyday life experiences.
- Understand how languages can help make sense of the world around us and solve everyday problems and questions.
- Develop a love of languages
- Raise awareness that languages other than English exist in our world.
- Develop a curiosity about language and how it works.
- Develop positive attitudes to other languages and cultures.
- Develop speaking and listening skills.
- Raise an awareness of aspects of English by encountering another language.
- Raise an awareness of aspects of home culture by encountering other cultures and raising awareness of citizenship issues.
- Be prepared for specialist teaching in their secondary school and for the workforce

We are an inclusive school which ensures children, and staff, never stop learning; we set high expectations and aim to support individuals during every step of their journey to become language learners.



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