

Sir John Offley CE VC Primary School

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Curriculum Intent, Implementation and Impact Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) Spanish



Intent

At Sir John Offley CE VC Primary School, we believe that learning a language can open doors to the world for children, helping to develop their confidence and raise cultural understanding, whilst deepening their curiosity about the world around them. It also helps children to develop skills that will open greater opportunities further on in life. At Sir John Offley we use the Language Angels scheme of work and resources to ensure we offer a broad, vibrant and ambitious MFL curriculum that will excite and inspire our pupils using a variety of topics and themes.

In line with our local high school and having successfully trialled teaching Spanish last academic year in our Year 6 class, we decided that this year all Key Stage 2 pupils at Sir John Offley will now be taught to read, write and speak the Spanish language, and learn about the Spanish culture. All pupils in Key Stage 2 will receive the same early language teaching. We believe that this will give our pupils the necessary foundations to continue studying Spanish or other languages as they transition into Key Stage 3.

The four key language learning skills; listening, speaking, reading and writing will be taught and all necessary grammar will be covered in an age-appropriate way across the primary phase. This will enable pupils to use and apply their learning in a variety of contexts, laying down solid foundations for future language learning and also helping the children improve overall attainment in other subject area.

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Implementation

- All classes will have access to a very high-quality foreign languages curriculum using the Language Angels scheme of work and resources to teach Spanish across Key Stage 2. This will progressively develop pupil skills in foreign languages through regularly taught and well-planned weekly lessons in Key Stage 2 which will focus on knowledge and skills in line with national DFE requirements.
- Children will progressively acquire, use and apply a growing bank of Spanish vocabulary, language skills and grammatical knowledge organised around age-appropriate topics and themes - building blocks of language into more complex, fluent and authentic language.
- Pupil learning and progressions will be assessed at regular intervals in line with school policy, assessing each language skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing.
- Children are taught to listen attentively to spoken language and respond , joining in with Spanish songs, rhymes and games.

In addition to following the lessons provided in the Language Angels scheme of work and resources, teachers are encouraged to also do some of the following:

- Foreign language celebration assemblies.
- Cookery sessions of traditional foods from the country of the language being studied.
- Weather forecasts based on maps from the country of the language being studied.
- Promote our love of languages outside of the classroom, for example learning and performing songs in a different language at key celebrations such as our Christmas Carol Concert.

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Impact

MFL at Sir John Offley CE VC Primary directs, drives and guarantees progressive learning and challenge. Our children will be confident and proud of their additional language and feel equipped to continue their foreign language learning in Key Stage 3.

Teachers will continually assess pupil learning and progression in the key language skills (speaking, listening, reading and writing) and against National DFE requirements.

At Sir John Offley CE VC Primary, we foster the pupils' linguistic curiosity. This will enable them to express their ideas and thoughts in another language and to understand and respond to it speakers, both in speech and in writing. We hope that all pupils will develop a genuine interest and positive curiosity about the Spanish culture and an appreciation of the world around them.