

MFL Ambition

"Language is the road map of a culture. It tells you where its people come from and where they are going."

Vision

At Elloughton Primary School we believe that the learning of a foreign language provides a valuable educational, social and cultural experience for all pupils, helping them to develop communication and literacy skills which lay the foundation for future language learning.

It is our vision to develop linguistic children who have a knowledge of how language works and who can explore differences and similarities between the foreign language and English. We aim to raise awareness of a multilingual and multicultural world and introduce an international dimension to pupils' learning, giving them an insight into their own culture and that of others.

The learning of a foreign language at Elloughton Primary provides a medium for cross-curricular links and for reinforcement of knowledge, skills and understanding developed in other subjects.

Working like a linguist

MFL at Elloughton will provide opportunities for children to;

- Develop specific language skills and also develop the language learning skills, including; ability to listen for sounds and words, reading words and finding links with other languages, looking for patterns in words or phrases, using what they already know, to identify and work out new words.
- Experience the teaching of languages in a fun and exciting way, ensuring that the children's language learning skills are fully exploited.
- Learn phonics in the target language each lesson and to ensure classrooms have vocabulary and phonics displayed to support children's learning.
- Explore new vocabulary taught and involve the children in discussing the letter sounds and spelling patterns of new vocabulary.

*To make French an experience lessons **will** include;*

- Enthusiasm, challenge and support
- Phonics, songs and repetition
- Practical activities to enhance their learning; matching cards, show me games, flash card activities, translation games, language detective games.
- Fun and engaging opportunities for reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.
Practical and interactive games
- Questions
- Discussion

*French lessons **might** include;*

- Drama/re-enactments
- Real life videos
- Use of apps which the children can access on iPad's to further develop speaking and listening skills.

Raising the profile of French throughout the school;

- Regular assemblies are conducted using some key phrases and songs in the target language, to further increase children's familiarity with the language and encourage a whole school approach! The key to success!
- Pupils are constantly encouraged to practise their speaking and listening skills and use the target language on a daily basis. This includes; answering the register, using greetings and signs in and around the school and the classroom.