

The intention of the Languages curriculum

To ensure that all pupils:

- listen attentively to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding
- explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words
- engage in conversations; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help
- speak in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures
- develop accurate pronunciation and intonation so that others understand when they are reading aloud or using familiar words and phrases
- present ideas and information orally to a range of audiences*
- read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing
- appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language
- broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words that are introduced into familiar written material, including through using a dictionary
- write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to express ideas clearly
- describe people, places, things and actions orally and in writing
- understand basic grammar appropriate to the language being studied



What are the key features of 'knowledge-rich' assessment for Languages?

Intent

Skidby French offers a carefully planned sequence of lessons, ensuring progressive coverage of the skills required by the national curriculum. Our chosen themes provide an introduction to the culture of French-speaking countries and communities. It aims to foster children's curiosity and help deepen their understanding of the world. A linear curriculum has been chosen to allow opportunity for children to gradually build on their skills. Skidby French enables children to express their ideas and thoughts in French and provides opportunities to interact and communicate with others both in speech and in writing. At the heart of Skidby French is the desire to expose children to authentic French, so the scheme offers regular opportunities to listen to native speakers. In Lower KS2, children acquire basic skills and understanding of French with a strong emphasis placed on developing their Speaking and Listening skills. These will be embedded and further developed in Upper KS2, alongside Reading and Writing, gradually progressing onto more complex language concepts and greater learner autonomy.

Through our Skidby French scheme, we intend to inspire pupils to develop a love of languages and to expand their horizons to other countries, cultures and people. We aim to help children grow into curious, confident and reflective language learners and to provide them with a foundation that will equip them for further language studies.

Implementation

Lessons are sequenced so that prior learning is considered and opportunities for revision of language and grammar are built in. Teachers have the freedom to decide how and when to teach the weeks objective, but a suggested model is to cover the initial new learning in a longer session, followed by shorter, daily revision of the new skill or vocabulary.

Our lessons and resources help children to build on prior knowledge alongside the introduction of new skills. A series of lessons are suggested, providing structure and context as well as offering an insight into the culture of French-speaking countries and communities. The introduction and revision of key vocabulary and grammatical structures is built into each lesson. This vocabulary is then included in display materials and additional resources so that children have opportunities to repeat and revise their learning. Skidby French has been designed by our language specialist teaching team, including French native speakers, so that teachers feel confident and supported. All of our lesson packs contain adult guidance, accurate language subject knowledge and accompanying audio materials.

Impact

Using the full range of resources, including display materials, will increase the profile of languages across school. The learning environment will be consistent with key French vocabulary displayed, spoken and used by all learners. We want to ensure that French is loved by teachers and pupils across school, therefore encouraging them to embark on further language studies. Impact can also be measured through key questioning skills built into lessons and summative assessments aimed at targeting next steps in learning.

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	Languages: Key Stage 2				
Languages	National Curriculum	Year 3	Year 4		
Speaking and pronunciati on	engage in conversations; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help speak in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures develop accurate pronunciation and intonation so that others	Asking and/or answering simple questions Forming simple statements with information including the negative Practising speaking with a partner Using short phrases to give information Beginning to adapt phrases from a rhyme/song Listening and repeating key phonemes with care Repeating short phrases accurately, including liaison of final consonant before vowel Introducing self to a partner with simple phrases Recognising and using adjectives	 Recognising and answering simple questions which involve giving personal information Beginning to form opinion phrases Beginning to use conversational phrases for purposeful dialogue Using a model to form a spoken sentence Speaking in full sentences using known vocabulary Comparing sounds and spelling patterns with English Listening and repeating further key phonemes with care Rehearsing and performing a short presentation Choosing appropriate adjectives from a wider range of adjectives 		

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	understand when they are reading aloud or using familiar words and phrases present ideas and information orally to a range of audiences		
lii Assessment		Speaking – Pupils can communicate with others using simple words, phrases and short sentences. Repetition (T2) Pronunciation (T3) Articulation (T3) Can you remember some words associated with your current French topic? Can you put some of these words into a sentence?	Speaking – Pupils can communicate by asking and answering a wider range of questions. Repetition (T2) Pronunciation (T3) Articulation (T3) Can you remember some words associated with your current French topic? Can you put some of these words into a sentence?
Listening	listen attentively to spoken language and show	Listening and responding to single words and short phrases Following verbal instructions in French	Identifying items by colour and other adjectives Listening and selecting information

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	understanding by joining in and responding explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of	 Responding to objects or images with a phrase or other verbal response Listening and identifying key words in rhymes and songs and joining in Beginning to identify vowel sounds and combinations Listening and noticing rhyming words 	Using language detective skills to decode vocabulary Listening to songs, joining in with songs and noticing sound patterns Noticing and beginning to predict key word patterns and spellings
lii Assessment	words		
Reading and writing	read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing appreciate stories, songs, poems and	Recognising some familiar words in written form Reading aloud some words from simple songs, stories and rhymes Beginning to develop dictionary skills Identifying cognates and near cognates Recalling and writing simple words from memory	Noticing and discussing cognates and beginning to identify language detective strategies Following a short text or rhyme, listening and reading at the same time Becoming familiar with format, layout and simple use of a bilingual dictionary to find the meaning of unknown words and check the spelling of unfamiliar words

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	rhymes in the language write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to express ideas clearly	Experimenting with simple writing, copying with accuracy Recognising and using adjectives of colour and size	Using cognates and near cognates along with other detective skills to gist information Selecting and writing short words and phrases Making short phrases or sentences using word cards Using adapted phrases to describe an object or person
lii Assessment		Reading – Pupils can read aloud in chorus, with confidence, from a known text Accent (T2) Phoneme (T3) Intonation (T3) KS2: How does this accent change the phoneme? Can you find the vocabulary that would be used to say (specific phrase relating to text)?	Reading – Pupils can follow a short text while listening and reading saying some of the text Accent (T2) Phoneme (T3) Intonation (T3) KS2: How does this accent change the phoneme? Can you find the vocabulary that would be used to say (specific phrase relating to text)?
Grammar	understand basic grammar appropriate to the language	Beginning to recognise gender of nouns, definite and indefinite article Identifying plurals of nouns	Using indefinite article in the plural form Recognising and using possessive adjective 'my' and pronouns he/she/it

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being studied, including (where	Recognising adjectives and placement relative to the noun	Recognising and beginning to apply rules for placement and agreement of adjectives
relevant): feminine, masculine and	Beginning to understand that verbs have patterns	Recognising and using the negative form
neuter forms and the	Noticing the negative form	Using prepositions
conjugation of high-frequency verbs; key features and patterns of the language; how to apply these, for instance, to build sentences; and how these differ from or are similar to English.	Beginning to use prepositions	Making comparisons of word order in French and English
broaden their vocabulary and develop their		
ability to understand new		
words that are introduced into familiar written		
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	material, including		
	through using a dictionary		
lii Assessment			
		Recognising that different languages are spoken in the community/world	Comparing schools and celebrations between France and the UK
Intercultural understandi ng	describe people, places, things and actions orally* and in writing	Showing awareness of the capital and identifying some key cultural landmarks	Comparing shops and high streets of France and UK
		Recognising cultural similarities and differences between customs and traditions in France and England	Recognising and using the Euro currency Identifying some French-speaking countries
lii Assessment			
		Languages: Key Stage 2	
Languages	National Curriculum	Year 5	Year 6
Speaking and pronunciati	engage in conversations; ask and answer	Forming a question in order to ask for Information Presenting factual information in extended	Developing extended sentences, for example to justify a fact or opinion
on	questions;	sentences including justification	

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	press inions and	Rehearsing and recycling extended sentences	Planning, asking and answering extended questions
res	spond to	orally	
	ose of others; ek clarification	Planning and presenting a short descriptive text	Engaging in conversation and transactional
	d help	Flaining and presenting a short descriptive text	language
	ookin	Using intonation and gesture to differentiate	Planning and presenting a short descriptive text
	eak in ntences.	between statements and questions	Modifying, expressing and comparing opinions
	ing familiar	Making realistic attempts at pronunciation of new,	
	cabulary, rases and	unknown vocabulary	Discussing strategies for remembering and
	sic language	Listening and repeating key phonemes with care	applying pronunciation rules
	ructures	applying pronunciation rules	Speaking and reading aloud with increasing confidence and fluency
	velop	Adapting a story and retelling to the class	
	curate		Comparing and applying pronunciation rules or
,	onunciation d intonation	Using adjectives with correct placement and agreement	patterns from known vocabulary
so	that others derstand		Recognising and using a wide range of descriptive phrases
	nen they are		
	ading aloud or ing familiar		Giving a presentation drawing upon learning from a number of previous topics
	ords and		
ph	rases		
pre	esent ideas		
an	d information		

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	orally to a range of audiences		
		Speaking – Pupils can join in a short conversation	Speaking – Pupils can converse briefly without prompts
lii Assessment		Repetition (T2) Pronunciation (T3) Articulation (T3)	Repetition (T2) Pronunciation (T3) Articulation (T3)
		Can you remember some words associated with your current French topic? Can you put some of these words into a sentence?	Can you remember some words associated with your current French topic? Can you put some of these words into a sentence?
	listen attentively to spoken language and	Listening and gisting information from an extended text using language detective skills such as cognates	Using prepositions to indicate the location of objects relative to something
Listening	show understanding by joining in and responding	Listening and following the sequence of a story, song or text including some unfamiliar language	Understanding directional language and phrases and prepositions to describe how to get to places eg the route to school
U	explore the patterns and	Matching unknown written words to new spoken words	Recognising present and near future tense sentences (using aller + infinitive)
	sounds of language through songs	Recognising blends of sounds and selecting words to recognise common spelling patterns	Recalling and performing an extended song or rhyme

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	and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words		Listening to stories, songs or texts in French
lii Assessment			
Reading and writing	read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to express ideas clearly	Recognising features of different text types Using a range of language detective strategies to decode new vocabulary including context and text type Reading and adapting a range of different format short texts Confidently using a bilingual dictionary to find the meaning of unknown words and check the spelling of unfamiliar words Using contextual clues and cues to gist and make predictions about meanings Gisting information from an extended text Using existing knowledge of vocabulary and phrases to create new sentences	 Making increasingly accurate attempts to read unfamiliar words and phrases Reading and using language detective skills to assess meaning including sentence structure Reading and responding to. an extract from a story, an e-mail message or song Reading short authentic texts for enjoyment or information Using a bilingual dictionary to select alternative vocabulary for sentence building Choosing words, phrases and sentences and writing as a text or captions Constructing a short text on a familiar topic

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		Completing a gapped text with key words/phrases Writing a short text using word and phrase cards to model or scaffold Using different adjectives, with correct positioning and agreement Using language of metaphor and comparison	Using a wide range of descriptive phrases Recognising and using verbs in different tenses
lii Assessment		Reading – Pupils can read and understand some of the main points from a text. Accent (T2) Phoneme (T3) Intonation (T3) KS2: How does this accent change the phoneme? Can you find the vocabulary that would be used to say (specific phrase relating to text)?	Reading – Pupils can read aloud, with confidence and expression, in chorus and individually. Accent (T2) Phoneme (T3) Intonation (T3) KS2: How does this accent change the phoneme? Can you find the vocabulary that would be used to say (specific phrase relating to text)?
Grammar	understand basic grammar appropriate to the language being studied, including (where	Correct use of definite and indefinite article depending on gender and number of noun and including partitive 'some' Applying placement and agreement rules for adjectives	Accurately applying placement and agreement rules for adjectives Recognising and beginning to form some verbs in near future tense using aller

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relevant): feminine.	Recognising and applying verb endings for	Recognising and applying verb endings for present regular 'er' verbs
masculine and	present regular 'er' verbs	
neuter forms	F	Learning and using some common irregular
and the	Exploring verbs in infinitive form	verbs, e.g. faire - 'to make/do'
conjugation of		Lindenstandian berussed ander differe between
high-frequency verbs; key	Learning and using some high frequency irregular verbs e.g. to have, to be, to go	Understanding how word order differs between French and English
features and		
patterns of the	Using comparative language	Identifying word classes within a sentence
language; how		
to apply these,		
for instance, to build sentences;		
and how these		
differ from or are		
similar to		
English.		
broaden their		
vocabulary and		
develop their		
ability to		
understand new words that are		
introduced into		
familiar written		
material,		
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	through using a dictionary		
lii Assessment			
Intercultural understandi ng	describe people, places, things and actions orally* and in writing	Identifying and locating other countries in the world where French is spoken Comparing geographical features and climates of different French-speaking countries	Learning about France's sporting culture and events Asking question and making insightful commentary on cultural differences, including some understanding of stereotype
lii Assessment			