

# Statement of Intent for Modern Foreign Languages

## **Our School Vision**

### Nurture, Grow, Flourish

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord... "plans to give you HOPE and a FUTURE."

Jeremiah 29:11

We are committed to creating a positive, safe and nurturing Christian environment, where all members of the school and wider community will be respected and valued.

Within God's love, we will support and encourage one another to grow and flourish... to be the very best we can be.

#### Intent

At Forest and Sandridge CE Primary School, we aim to foster inquisitiveness into Modern Foreign Languages. Through deepening pupils' understanding of language and culture of other countries they can widen their understanding of the world. Language teaching provides the foundation of learning further languages, equipping pupils with the necessary skills and knowledge to study and work in other countries. Weaving through all of our Modern Foreign Languages teaching, is a commitment to enhancing and promoting our core Christian values; Compassion, Respect, Courage and Humility.

## **Implementation**

At Forest and Sandridge CE Primary School, we teach French from FS1 to Year 6. A variety of teaching techniques are used to encourage pupils to have an active engagement in languages, such as; games, role play, action songs, stories. Whenever possible we invite native speakers into the classroom to provide an excellent model of the spoken language as well as to enhance their cultural understanding.

Each year we plan a whole school 'International Day of Languages'. This is an incredible enrichment opportunity for all pupils to immerse themselves into the language, culture and traditions of countries from around the world. The day even starts with a whole school international flight and every pupil has their own passport and tickets.

Through Language Learning we aim to:

- To give pupils a positive, enthusiastic attitude to languages within a creative and multicultural environment.
- To nurture an interest in learning other languages.
- To introduce language learning in a way that is fun and enjoyable.
- To stimulate and encourage pupils' curiosity about language.
- For pupils to develop an awareness of language structure and that the structure differs from on language to another.
- To develop pupils' speaking and listening skills.
- To lay the foundations for future study.

## **Impact**

- The courage and confidence to speak in another language with good intonation and pronunciation.
- To be able to read a simple text in another language.
- To have a passion for learning about new cultures and new languages.
- To have strong awareness for different cultures and languages.