

Moreland Primary School



MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES (MFL)

SPANISH

MFL (SPANISH) POLICY



INTRODUCTION:

As part of a new primary National Curriculum, taking effect from September 2014, learning MFL has become a requirement for children within KS2.

Learning a foreign language helps children to develop their ability to communicate, including learning the key skills of speaking and listening and it extends their knowledge of how language works. It provides excitement, enjoyment and challenge for children and teachers, helping to create enthusiastic learners and to develop positive attitudes to language learning throughout life. Learning another language gives children a new perspective on the world, encouraging them to understand their own cultures and those of others. The natural links between languages and other areas of the curriculum can enrich the overall teaching and learning experience.

All Key Stage 2 pupils are entitled to foreign language learning in school time. Moreland recognises the value of this initiative and will provide age-appropriate Primary Languages learning opportunities for all children in Years 3 – 6. The focus language taught in our school is Spanish.

TEACHING AND LEARNING OVERVIEW:

All KS2 pupils shall have the opportunity to develop MFL capability. Teaching is in line with the recommendations of the National Curriculum, with modifications in place which allow for the individual and differentiated needs of the children.

The National Curriculum for languages aims to ensure that all pupils:

- *understand and respond to spoken and written language from a variety of authentic sources.*
- *speak with increasing confidence, fluency and spontaneity, finding ways of communicating what they want to say, including through discussion and asking questions, and continually improving the accuracy of their pronunciation and intonation.*
- *can write at varying length, for different purposes and audiences, using the variety of grammatical structures that they have learnt.*
- *discover and develop an appreciation of a range of writing in the language studied.*

ORGANISATION:

Spanish is taught in a whole-class setting, by the class teacher in years 3 and 4, and by the Spanish teacher in years 5 and 6 who is also a native speaker as well as the MFL coordinator for Moreland (this post will be covered by an external teacher during the academic year 24-25).

Lessons of 1 hour are taught weekly for KS2. Lessons focus on speaking and listening using a variety of methods including repetition, songs, games, drama and filming. Pupils also record written work when appropriate.

The academic year 2023 – 2024 is the tenth year of teaching Spanish at Moreland, therefore the teaching sequence is the same for the whole KS2.

Below is an outline of the coverage within Years 3/4:

Unit 1 (6 hours): Spanish around the world1 / Spanish around the world 2

Unit 2 (7 hours): Greetings 1/ Greetings 2

Unit 3 (5 hours): Numbers 1/ Numbers 2

Unit 4 (6 hours): The body parts 1/ The body parts 2

Unit 5 (5 hours): What day is today? 1/ What day is today? 2

Unit 6 (6 hours): Horrible Green monster 1/ Horrible green monster 2

Below is an outline of the coverage within Years 5/6:

Unit 1 (6 hours): General review 1/ General review 2

Unit 2 (7 lessons): All about me 1/ All about me 2

Unit 3 (5 lessons): My family 1/ My family 2

Unit 4 (6 lessons): Grammar 1/ Grammar 2

Unit 5 (5 lessons): Spanish pronouns 1/ Spanish pronouns 2

Unit 6 (6 lessons): Horrible Green Monster 1/ Horrible green monster 2.

RESOURCES:

All Spanish resources are kept in Willow class since the Spanish teacher is also MFL leader. Additional resources are found on line (Language angels, Rockalingua and Twinkl).

ASSESSMENT:

We assess children's learning in Spanish by testing pupils twice a year with low stakes quiz activities.

MONITORING:

Monitoring is carried out by the MFL coordinator in Years3/4 and the Head teacher and Deputy Headteacher in Years 5 and 6, using:

- Discussion with the teacher at Subject Leader Meetings.
- Planning scrutinies.
- Observations

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