



BISHOP LONSDALE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



John 14:6: Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

Our School believes in;

- **Enabling everyone to reach their full potential**
- **Developing a love for learning and a desire to achieve**
- **Encouraging everyone to become independent and confident, with a belief in themselves**
 - **Promoting Christian values and respecting diversity**

Becoming **I**ndependent **S**uccessful **H**onest **O**pen-Minded People

Modern Foreign Languages: French

Value	Reception	Year 1 & 2	Year 3 & 4	Year 5 & 6
Enabling everyone to reach their full potential	Simply saying 'bonjour' or 'salut' during register time is an introduction to French, and an easy way for all pupils to participate in French speaking. Although pupils don't officially begin French lessons until Year 3, Language Angels does include lessons for Early Years and Key stage 1, which means the infant classes may dip in and out of activities whenever they wish.			Our chosen scheme of work 'Language Angels' enables us to teach French in an interactive way, through fun, relevant and challenging topics. Lessons are progressive, from Year 3 to Year 6. The core strands to the French curriculum are listening, speaking, reading and writing. Confident pupils have the chance to practise, extend their learning and demonstrate to others if they wish and less confident pupils have the opportunity to continue rehearsing French in different ways.
Developing a love for learning and a desire to achieve	Each year we have a French themed week which all classes get involved with, and our pupils love it! Learning simple French greetings, vocabulary and songs such as Frere Jacques is something the younger pupils love to join in with. It is hoped that igniting this early joy and interest in French will affect pupils' desire and interest to continue it in key stage 2.			We aim to introduce pupils to French in a fun and interactive way, foster their curiosity and their desire to learn French, and help them make the progress required to transition easily into language learning in KS3. French is fun with our lessons on the interactive whiteboards, and pupils are keen to participate. They will play games and sing songs during French lessons, as well as doing some written work. Pupils can even access Language Angels at home with their own log-ins.



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<p>Encouraging everyone to become independent and confident, with a belief in themselves</p>	<p>Within our school, many languages are spoken by our pupils. This is something which is shared and celebrated through different topics as well as enrichment weeks. Although pupils don't begin officially learning French until Year 3, all classes join in with our French week, giving children the chance to learn some new vocabulary and see that language learning is fun for everyone.</p>	<p>As pupils progress through the Language Angels scheme of work with their class, it is hoped that their confidence will grow, and therefore their independence in speaking, reading and writing French. French lessons in key stage 2 will provide children with key knowledge and language skills in readiness for secondary school, making this transition easier and boosting pupils' belief in themselves. Whilst learning about another language, country and culture, pupils may be discerning similarities or differences to English culture and the UK. Pupils are encouraged to ask questions and share their thoughts in a respectful way.</p>
<p>Promoting Christian Values and respecting diversity</p>	<p>In early years, pupils will learn about similarities and differences between themselves and others, ranging from physical features to our families, friends and the different languages we speak. Children in nursery and reception learn our Bishop Rules, which includes 'Respect others' and 'Treat others as you wish to be treated.' Our French themed weeks and simply using different languages during register time is an important way to begin putting these 'rules' and values into practise.</p>	<p>The National Curriculum states <i>'Learning a foreign language is a liberation from insularity and provides an opening to other cultures. A high-quality languages education should foster pupils' curiosity and deepen their understanding of the world'</i>. We aim to foster pupils' curiosity about the wider world. French lessons not only introduce pupils to the French language, but also to France, French people and French customs. This, in turn, promotes understanding and tolerance of others, and a respect for diversity. Values such as love, kindness and peace are all promoted through learning about another country and culture. Learning another language also promotes a respect for individual liberty for everyone, no matter where they're from or what language they speak. We are proud that our pupils at Bishop Lonsdale show an appreciation and respect for diversity within our school, community and globally. Our French themed weeks support this, and are enjoyed by all, regardless of whether you speak French or not!</p>