### **MFL at Church of the Ascension Primary School**



# What does MFL look like at Church of the Ascension?

At Church of the Ascension, we believe that learning a foreign language is a necessary part of being a member of an increasingly multi– cultural and multilingual society.

Children have the opportunity to develop an interest in languages which is taught in an enjoyable and stimulating way. Children begin learning in KS2 where they use and apply a growing French vocabulary. They have an opportunity to confidently express their ideas and develop their communication skills through speaking, listening, reading and writing, with the opportunity to do so for practical purposes. This provides an appreciation of cultures beyond there own and gives children a new and broader perspective of the world.

## 'With languages you are at home anywhere'

Edmund De Waal

### **Examples of Learning**

Throughout there time at Church of the Ascension, children progressively acquire skills and knowledge beginning in KS2 about greetings, the alphabet, numbers, colours, animals, food, body (appearance), hobbies and school life. The children have an opportunity to be taught by a specialist French teacher throughout KS2 who is able to share her specialist knowledge on the culture in France. She also supports the teaching of accurate pronunciation by teaching phonics across all the classes in KS2.

#### **Quotes from Children**

I think it's very interesting learning a new language and I think the language is the way a country can express themselves.

I like French because it is all about learning a new language and it has helped me improve my speech.

I enjoy French because we are taught by Madam Howarth who is from France so she knows the French culture.