

Modern Foreign Languages

At Holmer Green Junior School, the language taught is French. It is our intention that all children will access a relevant, broad, engaging and ambitious French curriculum, in order to adequately prepare them for secondary school, as well as develop cultural awareness. We wish to instil and foster pupils' curiosity and enjoyment and deepen their understanding of the world beyond the UK.

Our aims in teaching a language are:

- To develop an interest in learning other languages and introduce children to another language in a way that is enjoyable and stimulating.
- To encourage children's confidence and creativity when listening to and speaking a new language, allowing them to explore new ways of communicating what they wish to say.
- To allow children to practise reading and writing in French, starting with new vocabulary and later developing to sentences, and short passages.
- To stimulate and encourage children's curiosity about language, allowing pupils to recognise that language has a structure and that the structure differs from one language to another.
- To lay the foundation for future language learning.

We ensure a high quality and inclusive French curriculum, with teachers adapting and enhancing the CGP Salut! scheme of work and resources, providing support and scaffolds where needed, while also providing targeted challenge activities. Through our liaison with our local secondary school, we ensure that pupils are prepared for the next phase of their languages education.

We also work with the local secondary school to organise the French market, a whole school event, which takes place towards the end of every academic year. This enjoyable event allows pupils to develop their confidence and communicate with others using the French vocabulary they have learnt.