## MFL at Rackenford Primary School

### Intent

At Rackenford Primary School, we understand that learning a foreign language provides a gateway to other cultures. We believe that language learning can expand our pupil's world view and enable them to develop empathy, understanding and appreciation of difference. We intend our language teaching to provide the foundation for learning further languages at secondary school by embedding the key skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing.

It is our intention that pupils:

- understand and respond to spoken and written French from a variety of authentic sources
- speak with increasing confidence and fluency and spontaneity, continually improving the accuracy of their pronunciation and intonation
- read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing (Key Stage 2)
- write for different purposes and audiences, using a range of grammatical structures (key Stage 2)

#### **Implementation**

In order that our pupils can make substantial progress in one language, we teach French to all year groups from reception to Year 6.

- Through our progressive and engaging French curriculum, tailored by a French teacher, pupils are taught to know more, remember more and understand more French.
- Our pupils are encouraged and supported to develop their speaking and listening skills through role-plays, songs and games. As their confidence and skills grow, pupils record their work through pictures, captions and sentences. Children in Key Stage Two zoom call children in France and are writing letters to pen friends in a French school.
- The standard of French teaching in Key Stage 2 is monitored through lesson observations, book scrutinies and pupil voice meetings.
- French is taught across the school by a French national which gives us the benefit of the correct pronunciation.
- Pupil's language skills are assessed at the end of units, which last approximately three weeks.
- A weekly French Club is held for pupils to practice their French skills further.

#### **Impact**

# Children at Rackenford Primary School will:

- develop an understanding and appreciation of difference through learning French.
  develop their language skills and become more proficient in speaking, listening,
  reading and writing French.
- be given the necessary support and challenge to make progress in their knowledge and understanding of French.
- have their learning needs met through the use of regular assessment (key Stage 2)