

Betley CE (VC) Primary School

'MFL Statement of Intent.'

Intent

The intention of the MFL curriculum at Betley Primary School is to encourage a passion for communicating in learning another language. Our curriculum is designed to that the children can understand and experience the enjoyment that acquiring new language skills can entail. We aim to help the children to embed the skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in Spanish and to demonstrate to them the practical value that these attributes may provide to them in the outside world. We hope to create enthusiastic learners, who recognise that learning a language is a relevant skill in today's world. We also aim to provide our children with a knowledge of the places in the world where Spanish is spoken and a cultural understanding of these countries.

Implementation

Our MFL curriculum is designed to develop children's skills in Spanish, through regular taught lessons. Children progressively acquire, use and apply a growing bank of vocabulary and phrases, organised around relevant topics. Children are encouraged and supported to develop their speaking and listening skills through role play, singing activities, games, listening to stories and watching Spanish television. As their confidence and skills grow, children will record their work through pictures, captions and sentences. All our children in KS2 will have regular language lessons. Children in KS1 and Reception take part in Spanish days throughout the academic year.

Impact

The learning challenges used to plan and teach MFL ensure that children are accessing work at age-related expectations, with regular opportunities to be challenged through higher-level objectives. Children will show an interest and an enjoyment in learning a new language. Children are assessed according to age-related expectations in line with curriculum requirements. This information is recorded and monitored by the co-ordinator.

Through the high quality first teaching of Spanish, children will:

- Communicate with each other in Spanish.
- Become aware that a language has a structure, and that the structure differs from one language to another.
- Develop their language through development of the four key skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing.
- Enrich their language learning by developing an understanding of the Spanish culture.
- Will be well prepared to continue and develop their language skills in KS3.