



## MFL Intent Statement - French

At Guildhall, we believe learning a foreign language is an integral part of being a member of our incredible multi-cultural society. Learning another language gives children a new perspective on the world; it encourages them to understand their own cultures and those of others.

Learning another language helps children develop their communication, including key skills of speaking and listening, and extends their knowledge of how their own native language and other languages work.

The national curriculum for languages aims to ensure that all pupils:

1. understand and respond to spoken and written language from a variety of authentic sources
2. speak with increasing confidence, fluency and spontaneity, finding ways of communicating what they want to say, including through discussion and asking questions, and continually improving the accuracy of their pronunciation and intonation
3. can write at varying length, for different purposes and audiences, using the variety of grammatical structures that they have learnt
4. discover and develop an appreciation of a range of writing in the language studied.

At Guildhall, we nurture our children's love and interest for language learning and encourage children to develop their self-esteem and confidence when speaking a second language. Although our current MFL taught is French, we strive to provide children with opportunities to experience a range of other languages and celebrate the growing diversity of our pupils and the languages they speak. This interest is encouraged through purposefully planned activities and lessons which celebrate diversity, encourage respect, build confidence, promote key language skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing) and which build the foundations for becoming life-long language learners.

We intend for our children at Guildhall Feoffment to learn with a natural curiosity and confidence to explore other countries, cultures and languages, accepting that in a multi-lingual society, it is a treasured skill to be able to communicate effectively with others in another language. Our children will leave Guildhall equipped to continue learning a second language at secondary school; to potentially study and work in other countries and to have formed a strong sense of their own cultural identity within a global community.