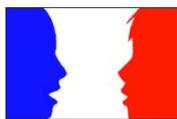




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Language Immersion Courses in France



French at Vernon Park Primary School

Vernon Park Primary School: Erasmus+ Project

Project overview

Over the last 24 months, we have been fortunate to have been involved in a project with the European Erasmus+ scheme, designed to improve our school's curriculum offer for French.

Twelve members of staff participated in an eight-day immersive programme of study in Carcassonne, France and then worked with staff across the school to improve teaching and learning.

Staff benefitted from cultural immersion; language, pedagogy and methodology lessons; and from sharing ideas and resources with our twin school in Toulouse.

Impact

We believe that learning to speak the language and to understand the cultures and traditions of other European countries and countries worldwide is of fundamental importance to our school community and as such, we have prioritised languages in our school; both across the curriculum as part of timetabled lessons in KS2, and as part of our inclusive school ethos with intercultural learning integral across the wider school. We believe that by learning more about each other, we can help to make our future world a more inclusive and fair place to live for everyone.

How can families help

Children from Y3 to Y6 have regular French lessons in speaking and listening, reading and writing, and French phonics. You can support our learning at home – ask us what we know and encourage us to use our language skills in day-day conversation! If you have an area of expertise, talk to your child's class teacher about coming in to school to do some work with a class or group of children.

Children from Nursery to Y2 are encouraged to learn to count and recognise common high frequency words (such as colours or animal names). Ask us what we've learnt and help us to practise our new vocabulary at home.