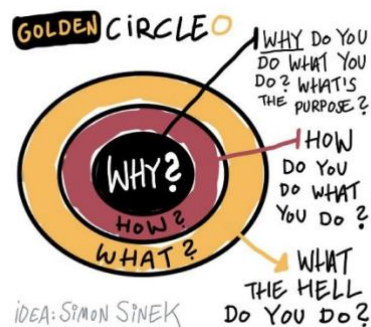


# HIMBLETON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



***Nurture, Nature, Knowledge:  
Enabling inquisitive thinkers and inspired  
learners with kind hearts.***

## The Himbleton Approach to the Teaching of Modern Foreign Languages



# Modern Foreign Languages

## Intent

### Why do we do what we do?

Our vision is for all pupils to become lifelong language learners.

The focus language at Himbleton C of E First School and Nursery is French, although, the choice of language is secondary to the nurturing of confidence, enthusiasm and a love of languages. Through cross-curricular and positive language learning experiences, we aim to facilitate the development of effective and transferrable language learning skills that will provide a gateway to the wider world.

Children are taught the skills and knowledge required in Lower Key Stage Two in preparation for further development in their next phase of education and the wider world.



## Implementation

### How do we ensure our intent becomes a reality?

We predominantly teach French in Lower Key Stage 2, with some informal introduction to the language for KS1. We have created a dynamic programme of study that will ensure the foreign language knowledge of our children develops within each academic year, providing clear progression for the four key language learning skills; listening, speaking, reading and writing.

On our language learning journey, we use a variety of the following techniques to encourage children to have an active engagement:

- Games – to develop vocabulary through repetition, reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.
- Role-play – relating to the situations the children may find themselves in the future.
- Action songs and rhymes – to develop phonetic skills, memory skills and to further vocabulary.
- Reading and writing quality materials – to include well-known story books written in French.

- Computing programs and websites.

We build children's confidence through praise for any contribution they make in the foreign language, however tentative.

## **Impact**

### **What are the outcomes for our children?**

Through our carefully designed curriculum, by the time children leave Himbleton they will:

- be able to communicate with each other in French.
- 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 French culture.
- learn how language skills can be applied to a range of languages.
- be well prepared to continue and develop their language skills into the next phase of their education.