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Modern Foreign Language Teaching- Italian

Intent

A high-quality languages education should foster pupils' curiosity and deepen their understanding of the world. The teaching should enable pupils to express their ideas and thoughts in another language and to understand and respond to its speakers, both in speech and in writing.' (National Curriculum 2014 - Appendix A)

At St Anne's Nursery and Primary School, the intention of our MFL curriculum is to develop an interest in and thirst for learning other languages. We aim to introduce the learning of the Italian language and the understanding of its culture in enjoyable and stimulating ways. We hope to embed the essential skills of listening, reading, speaking and writing. We aim to build the children's 'culture capital' so that they are aware of similarities and differences between cultures. In short, we hope to lay the foundations for future language learning.

Implementation

Our MFL curriculum has been designed to progressively develop skills in Italian. We are extremely lucky to have a specialist teacher (Signora Lucci) who delivers our Italian lessons. Children acquire a bank of vocabulary organised around topics and we ensure development is progressive as they build on previous knowledge from units already studied in previous year group/lessons.

All children in KS2 are taught Italian in a weekly discreet lesson. KS1 children are introduced to MFL through exploring other languages informally when studying another country.

Impact

- Children will be provided with opportunities to communicate with each other in Italian.
- Children will learn how language skills can be applied to a range of languages.
- Children will become aware that language has structure, and that the structure differs from one language to another.
- Children will develop their language through development of the four key skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing.
- Children will enrich their language learning by developing an understanding of the Italian culture.