

Why is MFL (modern foreign languages) important?

It allows pupils to express their thoughts and ideas in another language and to understand and respond to its speakers both in speech and in writing. MFL focuses on practical communication and lays the foundations for further foreign language study. Studying another language focuses children's listening skills, helps them to identify key features and patterns of language, encourages conversation and broadens vocabulary.

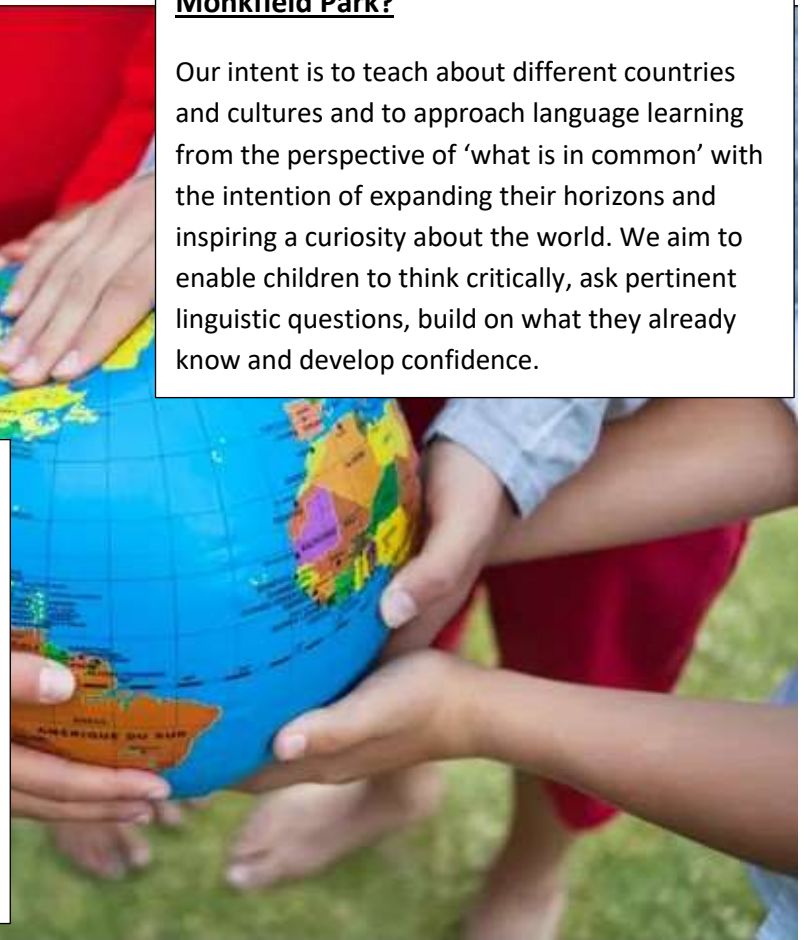


What do we intend MFL to look like at Monkfield Park?

Our intent is to teach about different countries and cultures and to approach language learning from the perspective of 'what is in common' with the intention of expanding their horizons and inspiring a curiosity about the world. We aim to enable children to think critically, ask pertinent linguistic questions, build on what they already know and develop confidence.

When implementing the MFL curriculum you will see ...

- Children's self-confidence growing
- Evidence of dynamic learning (including cross curricular links with English, maths and science)
- Drama, song, poetry and dance.
- Awareness of new ways to do the everyday
- International collaboration and friendships
- Diversity, tolerance and respect in action
- Knowledge posters (with key vocabulary)
- Teachers from CamVC



How MFL will impact our learners?

Children at Monkfield Park see themselves as linguists:

"Hola! That means hello." Year 1 child

"I love to know lots about other people's lives and cultures not just their language." Year 4 child

"Konnichiwa. Japanese culture is very different to ours. There are rules about their behaviour." Year 6 child

"Languages are so important. They open even more doors of communication and learning for our children." Parent

"Seeing children make connections with familiar texts in a new language is magical." Teacher

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