

FRENCH

What does French look like at Bartons?

Children learn through a range of practical and interactive activities that develop all areas of language learning and encourage an understanding of French culture.

What do we learn?

Our Modern Foreign language taught at Bartons is French. Children in Key Stage 2 learn French weekly through an interactive programme. They learn to listen, speak, read and write using a multi-sensory approach. They learn about France and French culture and how to discuss their own environment. Some topics we cover are: Getting to know you, All around town and All about ourselves. In addition to weekly lessons, French is often included in other lessons and children in KS2 are able to attend French club.

We are a culturally diverse school and as such, we have other language and cultural enrichment opportunities planned for the future. These include an international week and a French breakfast so watch this space...

Here's what some of our children think about French:

"Bonjour means hello – It's really fun to learn French."

"You never know when you might need to speak to someone in another language." "It was really useful when I visited Disneyland Paris."

"I was nervous to learn French at first but now I feel so confident about learning other languages."

"It makes us excited about learning other languages too."



Why is it important?

Language is the underpinning of our society. To learn a new language is to unlock the door to other cultures and experiences. Learning a new language together is a great way for a class to bond. It allows native English speakers to empathise with those who have English as an additional language. It also provides another opportunity to understand the English language by consolidating and teaching grammatical terms in a different context.

By the end of the year every child should ...

Be able participate in conversations: asking and answering questions based on the topics they have been learning. They should also be able to produce age appropriate pieces of writing using the vocabulary and grammar taught in lessons.