

## **Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) at Barley and Barkway Federation**

### **Intent**

In line with the National Curriculum, children at Barley and Barkway Federation begin learning a foreign language in Years 3 and 4 (Lower Key Stage 2). The children begin learning french in years 3 and 4.

### **Implementation**

At Barley and Barkway Federation, we love helping children discover the joy of learning a foreign language! It's a great way for them to develop communication skills, explore different cultures, and satisfy their curiosity about the wider world. We use the Twinkl scheme of learning as a starting point and make lessons even more fun with songs, drama, and hands-on activities. Children in Years 3 and 4 enjoy one language lesson each week and often get to share what they've learned with parents during class assemblies.

### **What Pupils Learn**

During Years 3 and 4, our pupils:

- Learn to understand and respond to simple spoken and written language.
- Practice speaking with growing confidence and fluency.
- Begin to write short phrases and sentences.
- Explore the culture and customs of countries where the language is spoken.

Our lessons are fun and engaging, focusing on speaking, listening, reading, and writing through songs, games, and interactive activities.

### **Impact**

We introduce key vocabulary, simple grammar, and everyday phrases to build confidence and enthusiasm for language learning. This helps our pupils build a strong foundation for future study when they move on to middle school.

MFL also helps children make links with English grammar, strengthens memory and listening skills, and encourages respect for other cultures. These transferable skills are all key aspects in supporting our children to become confident and caring global citizens.