



## Spanish in St Austin's

In St Austin's we believe that learning a foreign language develops an international mindedness and offers a gateway to understanding other cultures. In our multicultural, multilingual world, our pupils gain vital skills which will equip them to become successful future global citizens. Our Spanish curriculum fosters pupils' curiosity and deepens their understanding of the world. Pupils develop the skills to express their ideas and thoughts in another language and to understand and respond to its speakers, both in speech and in writing. It provides pupils with the opportunities to communicate for practical purposes and learn new ways of thinking.

## Intent

In St Austin's Primary School we intend for our pupils taught to develop an interest in learning another language in a way that is enjoyable and stimulating.

We intend to build our pupil's confidence and natural curiosity to explore other languages, cultures and communicate effectively in a multilingual society.

We intend to build our pupils language knowledge and skills in order that they may understand and respond to spoken and written language from a variety of authentic sources and speak with progressively increasing confidence, fluency and spontaneity.

We intend to develop our pupils' skills in finding ways of communicating what they want to say, including through discussion and asking questions, and continually improve the accuracy of their pronunciation and intonation.

We intend to support our KS2 children to develop their language reading and writing skills so that they can write at varying length, depending on the age and stage of the learners, for different purposes and audiences and using the variety of grammatical structures that they have learnt.

We intend to develop pupil's intercultural understanding and an appreciation of diverse cultures, customs and societies.

## *Implimentation*

Our Spanish curriculum is designed to progressively develop children's language skills through weekly taught lessons. Children progressively acquire, use and apply a growing bank of vocabulary and grammatical structures organised around topics.

Lessons embed the skills of listening, speaking and in KS2, reading and writing to enable children to use and apply their Spanish learning in a variety of contexts and lay the foundations for future language learning.

All Spanish classes include conversational work, repetition activities and language games. As their confidence and skill grows, children record their work through pictures, captions and sentences.

Lessons are sequenced so that prior learning is considered and opportunities for revision of language and grammatical concepts are built into lessons. Children build on prior knowledge alongside the introduction of new skills.

Children's knowledge and retention of Spanish is assessed through on going formative assessment and assessment tasks completed at the end of each topic and/ or term.

## **Impact**

A successful St Austin's language learner will be able to listen to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding. They will explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words.

Our pupil's will engage in conversations; ask and answer questions and as they move through KS2, express opinions and respond to those of others. Pupils will speak in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures.

Every language lesson gives pupils the opportunity to develop accurate pronunciation, regardless of stage. KS2 pupils will read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing. Their broadening vocabulary develops their ability to understand new words that are introduced into familiar written material, including through using a dictionary.

Our pupils develop the ability to write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to express ideas clearly and describe people, places, things and actions orally and in writing.

Our pupils develop a love of language learning, a confidence to communicate in another language with people of other cultures and nationalities.

Year 6 pupils leave St Austin's successfully prepared for KS3 language learning, with the foundations for learning further languages and equipped for future life opportunities to study and work in other countries.