

## Our Vision for Modern Foreign Languages.

Learning a new language is key to becoming part of our global community. The acquisition of an additional language helps the children to be successful in their interaction with others. Our focus is to build children's curiosity and develop their passion for languages.

The primary objective of our Partner Language Programme is to develop a positive attitude towards and instil an understanding for the Partner Languages within our school. This objective is reached through a communicative language programme that follows a structure of thematic core topics which recur at regular intervals. Linguistic structures and appropriate vocabulary overlap in a rising spiral as they are constantly encountered and reinforced throughout the different year levels. With no specific time line set, the programme guarantees foreign language growth for every child entering at any time during the school year.

## What do our children think?

I'm learning French and it's very helpful when you go to France and can understand things. I like writing in French and I like playing the games. Year 5

I love PL because I love to learn different languages. Y3

I like learning English, it is fun to learn new things. I am learning to read in English and I'm learning new words all the time. Year 4

German is really fun because we play lots of games and watch funny videos. I like playing Elf. At the moment, we are learning the names of rooms and objects in a house. Year 4

## Modern Foreign Languages



### National Curriculum Foreign Language

#### Sustainable Goals

#### Deep Learning

Citizenship, Character

Communication. Collaboration

Creativity, Critical Thinking

### **Opportunities to Celebrate Foreign Languages.**

- French Sugar Shack celebration
- German Saint Martin celebration
- Carnaval/Christmas Celebrations.
- International Language collaboration events
- "In-house" exchange programme with German Section.
- Aachen Visit

## What does Modern Foreign Languages look like at AFNORTH

All children from Reception to Year 6 receive daily language lessons. German, French and English programmes concentrate on the conversational aspects of the languages through a thematic approach at all levels thus ensuring a broad variety of language used in daily life.

We provide children with engaging and exciting learning opportunities to develop linguistics skills and build on their enthusiasm and engagement. This begins in EYFS with informal lessons, and educational games all the way to KS2, where the children start to demonstrate an understanding of grammar as well as speaking and listening skills.

Children develop their conversational understanding and begin to present their ideas orally and in writing. The patterns and sounds of language are explored to help develop accurate spelling and pronunciation. Children develop intercultural understanding by making comparisons between life in The Netherlands and other countries. They are given opportunities to use ICT to support their language acquisition through games and interactive programmes.