

M.F.L. at Hollydale

Through the teaching of MFL, we aim to:

- Develop pupils' communication and literacy skills that lay the foundation for future language learning
- Enhance pupils' awareness of the multilingual and multicultural world and introduce an international dimension to pupil's learning, giving them an insight into their own culture and those of others
- Develop linguistic competence, extend pupils' knowledge of how language works and explore differences and similarities between the target language and English
- Provide a medium for cross-curricular links and for reinforcement of knowledge, skills and understanding developed in other subjects.

Children in KS2 showing their class research projects.



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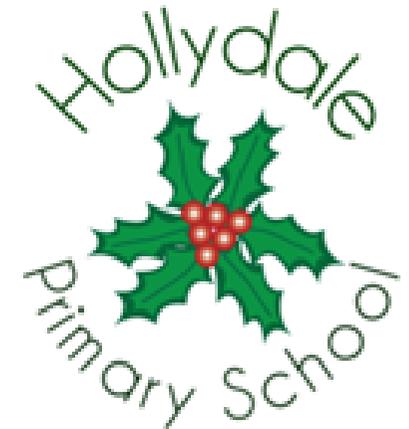
The main focus of MFL teaching at Hollydale Primary is Spanish. All pupils formally begin learning Spanish at the beginning of KS2. KS1 begin to learn simple vocabulary where appropriate, for example 'The Word of the week'. MFL lessons in KS2 are between 30 minutes - 40 minutes per week. KS2 MFL is taught every Tuesday by a specialist teacher. Opportunities throughout the week are given to reinforce key vocabulary and concepts taught during the lesson. Staff commonly use transition times between lessons to reinforce MFL throughout the week.

Children in KS2 showing their home learning projects.



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Information to help parents understand how we teach modern foreign languages (M.F.L.) at Hollydale.

How you can support your child with their Spanish?

Games

Naturally games are the first things that come to mind when we are talking about children. If you can make learning Spanish into a game then your child is more likely to respond in a positive way.

Watching movies

Watching movies is another great way to trick children into learning Spanish. They will enjoy watching it especially if it is a movie they are familiar with. There are some movies that are better suited for the classroom and some that are better to watch at home

Songs

Putting things to music is a great memorisation trick in any language. Asking children to learn the days of the week in Spanish by putting them to a simple tune, like "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star." is beneficial.

Reading

Encourage your child to learn the basic Spanish alphabet and all the sounds. Then show them how to sound words out as they are reading.

Another method is to find a book that you want to read with the child and use the internet to find the audiobook. Let your child read along as they hear a native speaker read the book to them. After a while they will gain confidence and will be able to read aloud as well.

How you can support your child with their Spanish? (Hispanic World Home Learning Project)

In 2017 the children at Hollydale began learning Spanish as part of their MFL provision. Spanish is the official language spoken in 21 countries and it is used by more than 400 million people across the world. At Hollydale our Spanish community is ever increasing and we pride ourselves on being an inclusive, culturally diverse school.

You could invite your child to research a range of Spanish speaking countries' traditions, their people, their geography, their food, their music and their environment. Your child could explore the fact that the way in which Spanish is spoken in each of those countries can vary.

Alternatively children can focus on one of the Spanish speaking countries and create posters, 3D models, flags etc. relating to their chosen Hispanic country.



Useful websites

<http://www.lightbulblanguages.co.uk/resources-pr-sp.htm#nos>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primarylanguages/spanish/>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primarylanguages/spanish/all_games/

<https://www.lajolieronde.co.uk/parents/>

