#### **Useful Links**

www.french-games.net

This website has tutorials and games linked to lots of different topics. You can choose your topic and whether you want to practise words or sentences.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z39d7ty

Here is the BBC Bitesize French website where there are many lessons, games and cultural videos to explore.



## **Terminology**

You will find a list of key vocabulary for each year group on the curriculum overview on our school website.

#### At Home

- Try some French foods.
- There is a free language learning app called duolingo, which keen language learners might want to investigate.
- On YouTube, you'll find lots of familiar TV programmes and films in French with English subtitles. Listening to the language and following along in English is a great way to learn. Just search for your favourites.
- Similarly, have a listen to some French pop music. We have used and learnt songs by the French children's group kids United in school but there are many other artists to discover and listen to too.

#### Contact

If you have any questions regarding the teaching of Languages please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or contact:

Miss Danks —languages coordinator



## Languages



# An Information Booklet for Parents and Carers

"Teach a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it."



Proverbs 22:6

### Languages

At Deepcar St John's CofE Junior School, we believe that the study of languages prepares pupils to participate in a rapidly changing world.

The process of learning a foreign language reinforces fluency and understanding of grammar, sentence structure and accurate pronunciation. We aim for pupils to leave school with the skills to be effective users of basic French language showing an understanding and respect for different cultures in our local, national and global communities.

All children are taught French by their class teacher once a week. We have created a curriculum to meet the needs of our children using a mix of the ilanguages and kapow schemes of work. Skills build up year on year. We focus on the national curriculum objectives to:

- Read fluently
- Write imaginatively
- Speak confidently
- Understand the culture of the countries where the language is spoken.

#### Lower Key Stage 2

All units cover grammar, speaking and listening, reading and writing. The main focus is on speaking and listening, then progressing onto reading, alongside spoken language and then finally writing. Through the units, key words and phrases are revisited and used through all the year groups. We begin with a focus on single words and pronunciation, then progressing onto phrases, simple sentences and then finally onto longer and more complex sentences.

#### Y3/4 topics include:

- How do I greet people?
- What is it like in a French classroom?
- Do you have any pets?
- How does a bilingual dictionary work?
- When is your birthday?
- Where does it hurt?
- ♦ Who are you?
- What's it like in a French Supermarket?

#### Upper Key Stage 2

In Y5/6, children increase their skills in using bilingual dictionaries and begin to learn how to conjugate verbs. Sentences increase in complexity and build to understanding short paragraphs.

#### Y5/6 topics include:

- What do you like to do in your free time?
- How do verbs work in French?
- What's it like in a French Primary school?
- What's the weather like?
- What time is it?
- What's it like in my house?
- How do I get to ...?
- Where is French spoken around the world?