ROSEDALE ABBEY AND ROSEDALE ABBEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOLS FEDERATION

CURRICULUM STATEMENT FOR A MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

FRENCH: ROSEDALE ABBEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The National Curriculum for Languages aims to ensure that all pupils:

- Understand and respond to spoken and written language from a variety of authentic sources
- Speak with increasing confidence, fluency and spontaneity, finding ways of communicating what they want to say, including through discussion and asking questions, and continually improving the accuracy of their pronunciation and intonation
- Can write at varying length, for different purposes and audiences, using the variety of grammatical structures that they have learnt
- Discover and develop an appreciation of a range of writing in the language studied.

French is taught as the Modern Foreign Language at Rosedale Abbey Community Primary in KS2.

We follow the Language Angels Scheme of Work.

pupils are taught to:

AIMS:

Through the French Language Angels Scheme of Work our aim is to develop the confidence and competence of each child. Our goal is for them to be passionate, curious and confident about their own foreign language learning abilities when they finish the primary school phase of their education.

We will help them develop and demonstrate substantial progress in the 5 key language skills necessary for learning French:

Speaking Listening Reading Writing Grammar

We aim to ensure that pupils of all abilities develop solid foundations in these key language learning skills - properly preparing them for the next stage of their language learning journey. These skills will develop children's ability to understand what they hear and read and enable them to express themselves in

speech and writing. We will extend their knowledge of how language works and explore the similarities and differences between Spainish and English. We will also help strengthen their sense of identity through learning about the French culture comparing it with their own.

INTENT:

The Nawton and Rosedale Abbey Federation intends to use the Language Angels scheme of work and resources to ensure we offer a relevant, broad, vibrant and ambitious foreign languages curriculum that will inspire and excite our pupils using a wide variety of topics and themes. All pupils will be expected to achieve their full potential by encouraging high expectations and excellent standards in their foreign language learning - the ultimate aim being that pupils will feel willing and able to continue studying languages beyond key stage 2.

The intent is that all content will be continuously updated and reviewed annually, creating a dynamic programme of study that will be clearly outlined in both long-term and short-term planning. This will ensure that the foreign language knowledge of our pupils progresses within each academic year and is extended year upon year throughout the primary phase and, in so doing, will always be relevant and in line with meeting or exceeding national DfE requirements. The four key language learning skills; listening, speaking, reading and writing will be taught and all necessary grammar will be covered in an age-appropriate way across the primary phase. This will enable pupils to use and apply their learning in a variety of contexts, laying down solid foundations for future language learning and also helping the children improve overall attainment in other subject areas. In addition, the children will be taught how to look up and research language they are unsure of and they will have a bank of reference materials to help them with their spoken and written tasks going forward. This bank of reference materials will develop into a reference library to help pupils recall and build on previous knowledge throughout their primary school language learning journey.

The intent is that all pupils will develop a genuine interest and positive curiosity about foreign languages, finding them enjoyable and stimulating. Learning a second language will also offer pupils the opportunity to explore relationships between language and identity, develop a deeper understanding of other cultures and the world around them with a better awareness of self, others and cultural differences. The intention is that they will be working towards becoming life-long language learners.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Our Key Stage 2 classes will have access to a high-quality foreign languages curriculum using the Language Angels scheme of work and resources. This will progressively develop pupil skills in French through regularly taught and well-planned weekly lessons taught by the Classteacher.

Children will progressively acquire, use and apply a growing bank of vocabulary, language skills and grammatical knowledge organised around age-appropriate topics and themes - building blocks of language into more complex, fluent and authentic language.

The French Language Angels curriculum is being implemented for the academic year 2024/2025 French as the primary KS3 language taught at our majority receiving Secondary School.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

2024/2025	2025/2026	2026/2027	2027/2028	2028/2029	2029/2030
YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR A	YEAR B	YEAR A	YEAR B

	YEAR 1			YEAR 2		
	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER	AUTUMN	SPRING	SUMMER
	Phonics 1 and 2	Animals (E)	Fruits (E)	Phonics 1 and 2	Seasons (E)	Presenting myself (I)
YEAR 3/4	I am Learning French	I know how(E)	In the classroom (I)	Instruments (E)	Vegetables (E)	Goldilocks (I)
	(E)					
	Phonics 1 and 2	Vegetables (E)	The date (I)	Phonics 3 and 4	Family (I)	What is the weather?
YEAR 5/6	Fruits (E)	Presenting myself (I)	My home (I)	Do you have pet? (I)	At the café (I)	(1)
						Planets (P)

In the academic year 2026/2027 pupils in KS2 will transition to the two year rolling programme of units below:

	YEAR A		YEAR B		
	YEAR 3 AND 4	YEAR 5 AND 6	YEAR 3 AND 4	YEAR 5 AND 6	
AUTUMN	Phonics 1 and 2	Phonics 3 and 4	Phonics 1 and 2	Phonics 3 and 4	
	I am Learning French (E)	The date (I)	Instruments (E)	Family (I)	
SPRING	Animals (E)	My Home (I)	Season (E)	At the café (I)	
	I know how(E)	Clothes (I)	Vegetables (E)	What is the weather? (I)	
SUMMER	In the classroom (E)	At school (P)	Ice-cream (E)	Planets (P)	
	Do you have a pet? (I)	Vikings (P)	Presenting myself (I)	Weekend (P)	

All teachers will know where every child is at any point in their foreign language learning journey.

Language Angels are categorised by 'Teaching Type 'to make it easier for teachers to choose units that will offer the appropriate level of challenge and stretch for the classes they are teaching and therefore meet the needs of all learners.

Early Language units are entry level units and are most appropriate for Year 3 pupils or pupils with little or no previous foreign language learning.

Intermediate units increase the level of challenge by increasing the amount and complexity (including foreign language grammar concepts) of the foreign language presented to pupils. Intermediate units are suitable for Year 4-5 pupils or pupils with embedded basic knowledge of the foreign language.

Progressive and Creative Curriculum units are the most challenging units and are suitable for Year 6 pupils or pupils with a good understanding of the basics of the language they are learning.

Grouping units into these Teaching Type categories ensures that the language taught is appropriate to the level of the class and introduced when the children are ready. Children will be taught how to listen and read longer pieces of text gradually in the foreign language and they will have ample opportunities to speak, listen to, read and write the language being taught with and without scaffolds, frames and varying levels of support.

Early Language Units (entry level) and **Core Vocabulary lessons** are designed to run for approximately 30 minutes. **Intermediate, Progressive and Creative Curriculum units** are designed to run for approximately 45 minutes.

Children will build on previous knowledge gradually as their French language lessons continue to recycle, revise and consolidate previously learnt language whilst building on all four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. Knowledge and awareness of required and appropriate grammar concepts will be taught throughout all units at all levels of challenge. Teachers are provided with a Progression Map and Grammar Grid to ensure all children are progressing their foreign language learning skills and are taught the appropriate grammar at the right time in their foreign language learning journey. Grammar rules and patterns will be taught by level of challenge:

- We start with **nouns** and **articles** and **1st person singular of high frequency verbs** in **Early Learning** units.
- We move on to the use of the **possessive**, the **concept of adjectives**, use of the **negative form**, **conjunctions/connectives** and introduce the **concept of whole regular verb conjugation** in **Intermediate** units.
- We end with **opinions** and introduce the **concept of whole high frequency irregular verb conjugation** in **Progressive** units.

Grammar is both integrated and taught discreetly throughout all appropriate units. Teachers can also use the specific Grammar Explained units to ensure pupils are exposed to all of the appropriate grammar so they are able to create their own accurate and personalised responses to complex authentic foreign language questions by the end of the primary phase.

The Teaching of French at Rosedale Abbey:

- Each unit and lesson will have clearly defined objectives and aims.
- Each lesson will incorporate interactive whiteboard materials to include ample speaking and listening tasks within a lesson.
- Lessons will incorporate challenge sections and desk-based activities that will be offered will three levels of stretch and differentiation. These may be sent home as homework if not completed in class.

- Reading and writing activities will be offered in all units. Some extended reading and writing activities are provided so that native speakers can also be catered for.
- Every unit will include a grammar concept which will increase in complexity as pupils move from Early Language units, through Intermediate units and into Progressive units.
- Extending writing activities are provided to ensure that pupils are recalling previously learnt language and, by reusing it, will be able to recall it and use it with greater ease and accuracy. These tasks will help to link units together and show that pupils are retaining and recalling the language taught with increased fluency and ease.

Units are progressive within themselves as subsequent lessons within a unit build on the language and knowledge taught in previous lessons. As pupils progress though the lessons in a unit they will build their knowledge and develop the complexity of the language they use. We think of the progression within the 6 lessons in a unit as 'language Lego'. We provide blocks of language knowledge and, over the course of a 6-week unit, encourage pupils to build more complex and sophisticated language structures with their blocks of language knowledge.

Pupil learning and progression will be assessed at regular intervals in line with school policy. Teachers will aim to assess each language skill (speaking, listening, reading and writing) twice throughout each scholastic year to be able to provide reference points against which learning and progression in each skill can be demonstrated.

IMPACT:

As well as each subsequent lesson within a unit being progressive, the teaching type organisation of Language Angels units also directs, drives and guarantees progressive learning and challenge. Units increase in level of challenge, stretch and linguistic and grammatical complexity as pupils move from Early Learning units through Intermediate units and into the most challenging Progressive units. Units in each subsequent level of the teaching type categories require more knowledge and application of skills than the previous teaching type. Activities contain progressively more text (both in English and the foreign language being studied) and lessons will have more content as the children become more confident and ambitious with the foreign language they are learning.

Early Learning units will start at basic noun and article level and will teach pupils how to formulate short phrases. By the time pupils reach Progressive units they will be exposed to much longer text and will be encouraged to formulate their own, more personalised responses based on a much wider bank of vocabulary, linguistic structures and grammatical knowledge. They will be able to create longer pieces of spoken and written language and are encouraged to use a variety of conjunctions, adverbs, adjectives, opinions and justifications.

Pupils will continuously build on their previous knowledge as they progress in their foreign language learning journey through the primary phase. Previous language will be recycled, revised, recalled and consolidated whenever possible and appropriate.

Teachers will have a clear overview of what they are working towards and if they are meeting these criteria. They will use the **long-term planning** documents provided in the form of **Language Angels unit planners** to ensure the correct units are being taught to the correct classes at each stage of the scholastic year. **Short-term planning** is also provided in the form of **unit overviews** (covering the learning targets for each 6-week unit) and **individual lesson plans** laying out

the learning aims and intentions of each individual lesson within a unit. These planning documents ensure that teachers know what to teach and how to teach it in each lesson, across whole units and across each scholastic term.

Pupils will be aware of their own learning goals and progression as each unit offers a pupil friendly overview so that all pupils can review their own learning at the start and at the end of each unit. They will know and will be able to articulate if they have or have not met their learning objectives and can keep their unit learning intention sheets and unit core vocabulary sheets as a record of what they have learnt from unit to unit and from year to year.

The opportunity to assess pupil learning and progression in the key language skills (speaking, listening, reading and writing) and against the 12 DfE Languages Programme of Study for Key Stage 2 attainment targets is provided at the end of each 6-week teaching unit. This information will be recorded and will be monitored by the Foreign Language Subject Leader who can use this data to ensure teaching is targeted and appropriate for each pupil, class and year group as well as to feedback on progress to SLT and stakeholders. Teachers will be able to record, analyse and access this data easily using the Tracking and Progression Tool that will monitor school, class and individual progress in the foreign language. Pupils will also be offered self-assessment grids to ensure they are also aware of their own progress which they can keep as a record of their progress.

Children are expected to make good or better than good progress in their foreign language learning and their individual progress is tracked and reported to pupils and parents / carers in line with school recommendations.

If pupils are not progressing in line with expectations, this will be identified in the End of Unit Skills Assessments provided in the Language Angels Tracking & Progression Tool. This will enable teachers to put in place an early intervention programme to address any areas that require attention in any of the language learning skills.

PROGRESSION AND EXPECTATION:

END OF PHASE OUTCOMES:

BY THE END OF YEAR 4	BY THE END OF YEAR 6		
LISTENING AND SPEAKING/ORACY			
KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children listen attentively to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding.	KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children listen attentively to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding.		
Children can: a repeat modelled words; b listen and show understanding of single words through physical response;	Children can: a listen and show understanding of simple sentences containing familiar words through physical response;		
c repeat modelled short phrases;	 b listen and understand the main points from short, spoken material in French; c listen and understand the main points and some detail from short, spoken 		

d listen and show understanding of short phrases through physical response.	material in French.
KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children engage in conversation; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help.	KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children engage in conversation; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others; seek clarification and help.
Children can: a recognise a familiar question and respond with a simple rehearsed response; b ask and answer a simple and familiar question with a response; c express simple opinions such as likes, dislikes and preferences; d ask and answer at least two simple and familiar questions with a response. KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children speak in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures. Children can: a name objects and actions and may link words with a simple connective; b use familiar vocabulary to say a short sentence using a language scaffold; c speak about everyday activities and interests; d refer to recent experiences or future plans.	Children can: a engage in a short conversation using a range of simple, familiar questions; b ask and answer more complex questions with a scaffold of responses; c express a wider range of opinions and begin to provide simple justification; d converse briefly without prompts. KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children speak in sentences, using familiar vocabulary, phrases and basic language structures. Children can: a say a longer sentence using familiar language; b use familiar vocabulary to say several longer sentences using a language scaffold; c refer to everyday activities and interests, recent experiences and future plans;
KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children develop accurate pronunciation and intonation so that others understand when they are using familiar words and phrases. Children can:	d vary language and produce extended responses. KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children develop accurate pronunciation and intonation so that others understand when they are using familiar words and phrases. Children can:
 identify individual sounds in words and pronounce accurately when modelled; start to recognise the sound of some letter strings in familiar words and pronounce when modelled; adapt intonation to ask questions or give instructions; show awareness of accents, elisions and silent letters; begin to pronounce words accordingly. 	 a pronounce familiar words accurately using knowledge of letter string sounds to support, observing silent letter rules; b appreciate the impact of accents and elisions on sound and apply increasingly confidently when pronouncing words; c start to predict the pronunciation of unfamiliar words in a sentence using knowledge of letter strings, liaison and silent letter rules;

	d adapt intonation, for example to mark questions and exclamations.		
KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children present ideas and information orally to a range of audiences. Children can:	KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children present ideas and information orally to a range of audiences. Children can:		
 a name nouns and present a simple rehearsed statement to a partner; b present simple rehearsed statements about themselves, objects and people to a partner; c present ideas and information in simple sentences using familiar and rehearsed language to a partner or a small group of people. 	a manipulate familiar language to present ideas and information in simple		
KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children describe people, places, things and actions orally. Children can:	KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children describe people, places, things and actions orally. Children can:		
 a say simple familiar words to describe people, places, things and actions using a model; b say a simple phrase that may contain an adjective to describe people, places, 	 a say several simple sentences containing adjectives to describe people, places, things and actions using a language scaffold; b manipulate familiar language to describe people, places, things and actions, 		
things and actions using a language scaffold; say one or two short sentences that may contain an adjective to describe people, places, things and actions.	maybe using a dictionary; use a wider range of descriptive language in their descriptions of people, places, things and actions.		
Reading and Writing/Literacy Reading			

KS2 Languages National Curriculum	KS2 Languages National Curriculum
Children read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing. Children can: a read and show understanding of familiar single words;	Children read carefully and show understanding of words, phrases and simple writing. Children can: a read and show understanding of simple sentences containing familiar and
b read and show understanding of simple phrases and sentences containing familiar words.	 some unfamiliar language; read and understand the main points from short, written material; read and understand the main points and some detail from short, written material.
KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new word that are introduced into familiar written material, including through using a dictionary. Children can: a use strategies for memorisation of vocabulary; b make links with English or known language to work out the meaning of new words; c use context to predict the meaning of new words; d begin to use a bilingual dictionary to find the meaning of individual words in French and English.	KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children broaden their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words that are introduced into familiar written material, including through using a dictionary. Children can: use a range of strategies to determine the meaning of new words (links with known language, cognates, etymology, context); use a bilingual dictionary to identify the word class; use a bilingual paper/online dictionary to find the meaning of unfamiliar words and phrases in French and in English.
KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children develop accurate pronunciation and intonation so that others understand when they are reading aloud familiar words and phrases. Children can: a identify individual sounds in words and pronounce accurately when modelled; b start to read and recognise the sound of some letter strings in familiar words and pronounce when modelled; c adapt intonation to ask questions; d show awareness of accents, elisions and silent letters; begin to pronounce words accordingly.	KS2 Languages National Curriculum Children develop accurate pronunciation and intonation so that others understand when they are reading aloud familiar words and phrases. Children can: a read and pronounce familiar words accurately using knowledge of letter string sounds to support, observing silent letter rules; b appreciate the impact of accents and elisions on sound and apply increasingly confidently when pronouncing words; c start to predict the pronunciation of unfamiliar words in a sentence using knowledge of letter strings, liaison and silent letter rules;

short, written passage.

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Children write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to	Children write phrases from memory, and adapt these to create new sentences, to		
express ideas clearly.	express ideas clearly.		
Children can:	Children can:		
a write single familiar words from memory with understandable accuracy;	a write a simple sentence from memory using familiar language;		
b write familiar short phrases from memory with understandable accuracy;	b write several sentences from memory with familiar language with		
c replace familiar vocabulary in short phrases written from memory to	understandable accuracy;		
create new short phrases.	replace vocabulary in sentences written from memory to create new sentences with understandable accuracy.		
KS2 Languages National Curriculum	KS2 Languages National Curriculum		
Children describe people, places, things and actions in writing.	Children describe people, places, things and actions in writing.		
Children can:	Children can:		
 copy simple familiar words to describe people, places, things and actions using a model; 	a write several simple sentences containing adjectives to describe people, places, things and actions using a language scaffold;		
b write a simple phrase that may contain an adjective to describe people, places, things and actions using a language scaffold;	b manipulate familiar language to describe people, places, things and actions, maybe using a dictionary;		
 write one or two simple sentences that may contain an adjective to describe people, places, things and actions. 	c use a wider range of descriptive language in their descriptions of people, places, things and actions.		
KS2 Languages National Curriculum	KS2 Languages National Curriculum		
Children explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and	Children explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes		
link the spelling, sound and meaning of words.	and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words.		
Children can:	Children can:		
a listen and identify specific words in songs and rhymes and demonstrate	a listen and identify rhyming words and specific sounds in songs and rhymes;		
understanding;	b follow the text of familiar songs and rhymes, identifying the meaning of words;		
b listen and identify specific phrases in songs and rhymes and demonstrate understanding.	read the text of familiar songs and rhymes and identify patterns of language and link sound to spelling.		

KS2 Languages National Curriculum

Children appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language.

Children can:

- a join in with actions to accompany familiar songs, stories and rhymes;
- join in with words of a song or storytelling.

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Children appreciate stories, songs, poems and rhymes in the language.

Children can:

- a follow the text of a familiar song or story;
- b follow the text of a familiar song or story and sing or read aloud;
- understand the gist of an unfamiliar story or song using familiar language and sing or read aloud.

KS2 Languages National Curriculum

Children understand basic grammar appropriate to the language being studied, including (where relevant): feminine, masculine and neuter forms and the conjugation of high frequency verbs; key features and patterns of the language; how to apply these, for instance, to build sentences; and how these differ from or are similar to English.

Children can:

- a show awareness of word classes nouns, adjectives, verbs and connectives and be aware of similarities in English;
- name the gender of nouns; name the indefinite and definite articles for both genders and use correctly; say how to make the plural form of nouns;
- c recognise and use partitive articles;
- name the first and second person singular subject pronouns; use the correct form of some regular and high frequency verbs in the present tense with first and second person;
- name the third person singular subject pronouns; use the present tense of some high frequency verbs in the third person singular;
- f use a simple negative form (ne... pas);
- g show awareness of the position and masculine/feminine agreement of adjectives and start to demonstrate use;
- h recognise and use the first person possessive adjectives (mon, ma, mes);
- i recognise a high frequency verb in the imperfect tense and in the simple future and use as a set phrase;
- j conjugate a high frequency verb (aller to go) in the present tense; show awareness of subject-verb agreement;
- k use simple prepositions in their sentences;

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Children can:

- identify word classes;
- demonstrate understanding of gender and number of nouns and use appropriate determiners;
- explain and apply the rules of position and agreement of adjectives with increasing accuracy and confidence;
- d name and use a range of conjunctions to create compound sentences;
- e use some adverbs;
- f demonstrate the use of first, second and third person singular pronouns with some regular and high frequency verbs in present tense and apply subject-verb agreement;
- g explain and use elision; state the differences and similarities with English;
- h recognise and use the simple future tense of a high frequency verb; compare with English;
- recognise and use the immediate future tense of familiar verbs in the first, second and third person singular; explain how it's formed;
- recognise and use the first and third person singular possessive adjectives (mon, ma, mes, son, sa, ses);
- k recognise and use a range of prepositions;
 - use the third person plural of a few high frequency verbs in the present tense;

use the third person singular and plural of the verb 'être' in the present tense.	m name all subject pronouns and use to conjugate a high frequency verb in the present tense;
	n recognise and use a high frequency verb in the perfect tense; compare with English;
	o follow a pattern to conjugate a regular verb in the present tense; p choose the correct tense of a verb (present/perfect/imperfect/future)
	according to context.