



Modern Foreign Languages

Sticklepath Intent



Our curricular aims are to develop **Growing Minds** that are **Curious, Critical Communicators**.

Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) at Sticklepath opens our children's eyes to the wider world and different cultures. At Sticklepath we learn Spanish throughout Key Stage 2 as part of a broad and balanced curriculum. It enriches and broadens the overall curriculum provision. This links well in terms of transition to secondary, as this is a subject that is taught in year 7, and lays the foundations for future study.

Learning language skills early on in education lay the foundations for future languages chosen at secondary level, which will, in turn, help to broaden the children's horizons geographically for work and leisure in a rapidly changing global world. We want Sticklepath children to be **deep critical thinkers**, able to make links with their own spoken and written language and others.

Sticklepath's values seek to be both inwardly reflective and outward looking to support children to understand themselves as individuals, as members of a multi-racial Britain and as global citizens of the world. MFL helps pupils to understand that there are many languages spoken in the world and by people in their own school and that this is normal, natural, interesting and valuable. This in turn helps to foster community cohesion and prevent discrimination. MFL makes an outstanding contribution to the promotion of pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development, enabling our children to celebrate **diversity and difference**.

Language learning should be fun. The use of role play, songs, stories, realia, games and video clips are all interactive tools in the language teachers kit to inspire confidence, independent learning and initiative.

MFL helps pupils to develop their literacy skills, to deepen their knowledge about language in general, learn to **communicate effectively** and helps pupils to learn to listen more carefully.