



MFL Rationale

At Birchington CE Primary School we believe that learning a modern foreign language is a vital part in ensuring that pupils are prepared to thrive in the world around them. We provide our pupils with an international dimension to their learning which enables them to learn about a different country and culture. It empowers them to see the world as responsible global citizens. We have chosen to teach French as our Modern Foreign Language, as our town is twinned with the town of La Chapelle d'Armentieres near Lille in Northern France and the majority of our pupils progress to a school where French is taught in KS3 and/or KS4. Therefore, we are ensuring that our pupils have the best foundation possible in the subject before moving into the next phase of their education. In addition, Birchington CE Primary School is lucky enough to have a strong relationship with our partner school La Chapelle. Due to our locality to France, and our connections, we are able to give our pupils the opportunity to travel abroad, indulge in a different culture and give context to the language learning that they have done at school.