



## Language learning and Community Languages at Bishop Challoner School

At the heart of language learning, we aim to develop a cultural understanding and curiosity. At Bishop Challoner we celebrate our own culture as well as the diversity that exists in our community and our society and the wider global world. We appreciate the tapestry of languages and cultures that exists locally, nationally and internationally. Language is means of communication and understanding of people of other countries and cultures and a global outlook is crucial in developing broader minds and fostering a healthy society that is inclusive and diverse. An international ethos opens new horizons for young people to become global citizens and tolerant of their fellow human beings and appreciate and learn about their own identity, culture and grammar. Learning a language should deepen their ability to manipulate the grammar, vocabulary and phonics in a cohesive manner and foster curiosity about other countries' way of life in which the languages are spoken. Students start learning a foreign language from reception to the secondary school. The programme of learning a language is carefully devised to allow progression from KS1 to KS2 and from KS2 to KS3, 4 and 5 progressively. Our curriculum allows cultural opportunities and visits to embed the learning within a context. We use the AQA specification for MFL and Edexcel for some community languages.