



## **Mastery in Foreign Languages at Buttsbury Junior School**

Effective mastery in Foreign Languages leads to an understanding of another language and culture. Texts and resources in the target language (French) are provided to encourage and stimulate interest in language learning for all children. Regardless of their ability, all pupils are challenged through the opportunity to study texts in French and songs.

Pupils demonstrate accurate reading and listening skills. Furthermore, they compare and contrast the vocabulary and grammar rules of English with those of French; they identify similarities and differences in order to apply these rules accurately and demonstrate a deeper understanding of the grammar in both their own and the target language.

Vocabulary and sentence structures are provided to the pupils throughout the teaching sequence. They are then able to independently apply their knowledge to both structure their own sentences and to talk about other topics and therefore demonstrate mastery. Children are able to reuse, apply and adapt the vocabulary and sentence structures as they progress through KS2.

Real life scenarios are included throughout the teaching sequences to allow children to apply their language knowledge, for example greetings in Year 3 and French café vocabulary in Year 4. Children also have the opportunity to study topics linked to other Foundation areas such as Habitats in Year 4 and Vikings in Year 6.

As a result of this, children develop a deeper understanding of language learning and an understanding of another culture and language.