French curriculum statement

Kapow is the scheme of learning followed across key stage 2 to ensure are children are developing their French skills throughout their Herrick journey. At Herrick, our French scheme of work aims to instil a love of language learning and an awareness of other cultures within our pupils.

We want pupils to develop the confidence to communicate in French for practical purposes, using both written and spoken French. Through our scheme of work, we aim to give pupils a foundation for language learning that encourages and enables them to apply their skills to learning further languages. Kapow Primary's French scheme of work supports pupils to meet the national curriculum end of Key stage 2 attainment targets (there are no Key stage 1 attainment targets for Languages).

Through Kapow Primary's French scheme, pupils are given opportunities to communicate for practical purposes around familiar subjects and routines. The scheme provides balanced opportunities for communication in both spoken and written French.

In year 3, pupils practise a variety of French greetings and learning how to introduce themselves. They will be Using their dictionary skills to develop their animal vocabulary and habitat names whilst also understanding key concepts like masculine and feminine nouns.

In year 4, pupils will start to build on their knowledge of feminine and masculine nouns and apply this to describing people's physical appearance and their personality. During their French journey in year 4, pupils will be encouraged to develop their language detective skills and confidence with practical conversational French.

In year 5, pupils review noun gender, article-noun agreement, and adjective placement while exploring monster and body part vocabulary. Pupils will also identify the infinitive form of verbs, and subject pronouns, then group French verbs into -er, -ir and -re categories.

In year 6, pupils will expand their knowledge of country names and develop their cultural knowledge of Pétanque, the Tour de France and the Olympics. They will also be Learning directional, transport and town vocabulary together with prepositional phrases to finally create a tourist leaflet, in French, for their own local area.