



Languages Day

2024



On Thursday 26th September it was European Languages Day. During that week, we celebrated this throughout the school with a range of fun and exciting activities. We actually extended our thinking beyond Europe to have a more 'global' look at languages. This allowed each class to celebrate the links that their children and families have to countries and languages across the world. Thank you so much for the contributions we received!

Now, sit back, buckle up and prepare to enjoy on an adventure across the globe



Key stage assemblies

The week was launched on Monday morning with Mrs Fordyce doing an assembly for each key stage. The children looked at several different languages and said "My name is" in each of the different ways - they experimented with Spanish, German, Polish, Russian and many more.....

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In Bumblebees we focussed on Poland for language day. With some help from our Polish families, the children learnt how to say hello and goodbye in Polish and they had a go at the Krakowiak dance which is learnt by children in kindergarten in Poland.

In Dragonfly class, the children shared various words and greetings in languages they have experience of, including Italian, Welsh and Urdu.





Year 1

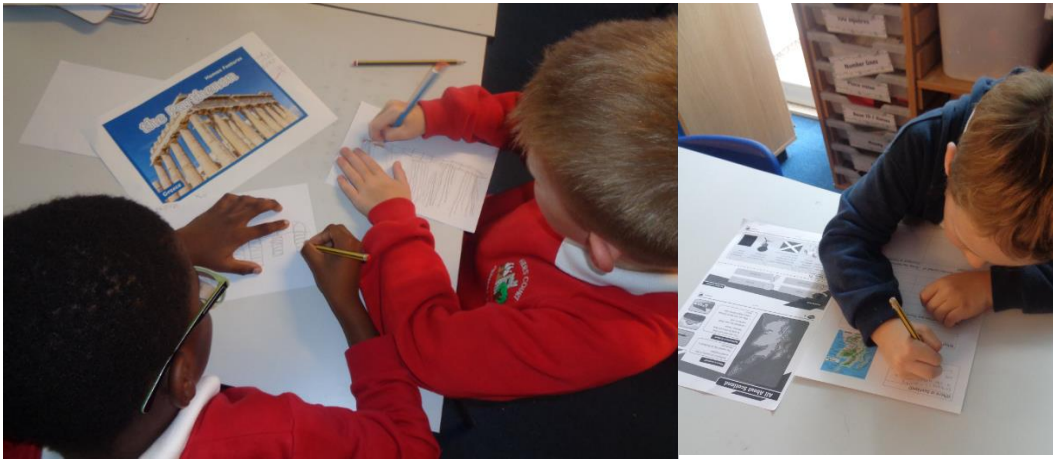
In year 1 we talked about all the different languages we knew about and the different ways we knew how to say hello. We then learnt a lot more ways to say hello and looked at many different flags from around the world! We focussed on South Africa and found Zimbabwe on the globe. The main language spoken is Shona and we learnt how to say hello, which is **Mhoro** or **Mhoro!** We really like how colourful the flag for Zimbabwe is and we all coloured in our own copy. We had a great time exploring the globe and the Atlas'.



Year 2

In Year 2 we have had a really exciting time celebrating Languages Day. Some of our families shared connection to various languages and countries with us, so both classes were able to plan activities around the links in their class. Nightingales have been doing some Spanish, Polish, Greek, Scottish, Gaelic and German. Robins have been doing some Italian and Turkish.

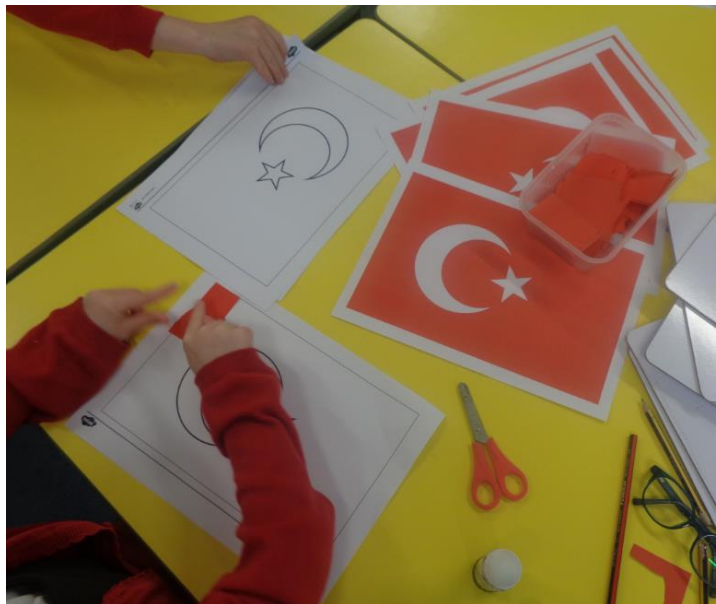
Nightingales learnt to count to 10 in Spanish, taught by some of the children and then looked at the similarities between naming the colours and numbers in German and English.



We looked at photos from Greece and made some beautiful sketches and we also found out some information about Scotland to create fact files. We have also been looking at greeting each other in Polish and listening to some Gaelic pronunciation that was sent in by a family member.

In Robins the children were able to create collages of the Turkish flag and made some fantastic paper models of architecture from Italy. There were some brilliant efforts at the Colosseum and Leaning Tower of Pisa!

Robins also learnt to count to 10 in Turkish and Italian, how clever!



Year 3

In Year 3, we focused on Turkish as a language. We tried key phrases such as hello, goodbye, and my name. We also focused on numbers up to 10. The children created their very own Turkish flag using ripped-up bits of paper, which were put into a laminating pouch. The children were really careful, and the windows had to be closed as the wind was causing problems! After, the children created a language profile. The children filled in their template with languages spoken in their families, languages they might know phrases to or languages they would want to learn.

Well done Year 3!



Year 4

We started the day by celebrating India!
In the hall we all learned the Bhangra dance which was lots of fun. Returning back to the class we got to try lots of Indian food which was very tasty!
We were even lucky enough to learn all about India in a knowledgeable presentation.



Not only that but we got to learn exciting greetings and sayings in Irish and Polish. The children were fabulous and also delivered great presentations to both classes!



This encouraged more people to teach one another their own numbers and greetings in different languages, we even learned some sign language!

What a successful morning, well done Year 4!

Year 5

In **Falcon Class**, we found out more about Spain and the Spanish language. We researched key facts about Spain, including festivals and celebrations, as well as finding out about traditional food, climate and mountains. We also practised 'everyday' phrases and read 'Los tres cerditos' (The Three Little Pigs). We chose this book because it is a story we all know well and, as there is lots of repetition, it helped us to learn more words in Spanish.



We learnt that the capital of Spain is Madrid and the official language is Spanish. Traditional foods are paella, churros and a cold, veggie soup. The currency (which means money) is Euros. The population of Spain is over 49 million. Santa in Spanish is called Papa Noel and a lot of people attend Midnight Mass. The Spanish phrase for 'hello' is 'Buenos dias'. 'How are you?' is ' Como estas' and to say 'I am ten' is 'Tengo diez anos'.

Did you know that the symbols on the flag of Spain represent the coat of arms of Spain, which features a crown, the golden castle of Castile, the red lion of Leon, the yellow and red stripes of Aragon, the gold chains of Navarre, a pomegranate of Granada and the fleur-de-lis of Bourbon, the ruling royal palace. Daniella

Spain has an area of 195 363 square miles. The most well-known mountain ranges are the Pyrenees and the Sierra Nevada. We learnt some new Spanish words when we read, 'Los tres cerditos': la casa (house), el lobo (wolf), el primo (first), el segundo (second), el tercero (third). And of course, Khaleed

Year 6

In Pegasus Class, we focused on The Netherlands. The children learnt to say some greetings and key words before researching the country's culture. We also looked at Van Gogh's 'The Starry Night' and made our own version!



The Netherlands

By Rishika and Rose T



The Netherlands are famous for there windmills and cheese

- There are over 1,000 historic windmills.
- The Dutch find everything lekker.
- The Dutch invented shares.
- The Netherlands is the world's safest country for cycling.
- We have the Dutch to thank for orange carrots.
- Over half of the Netherlands is a farm.



Stamppot (Dutch National Dish)



The Netherlands go to school at the age of 5 and end at 16 years old



Capital: Amsterdam
Official language: Dutch



The National animal is a lion

Netherlands/Population
17.7 million



In Phoenix class, we explored the country of Nigeria, and one of the main languages spoken there; Hausa. We learned all about what life is like in Nigeria, the type of climate, weather and culture of the country, and created posters to tell other people all about what we have learned. We even learned to introduce ourselves to each other in Hausa!

Nigeria

OFFICIAL NAME: Federal Republic of Nigeria
CAPITAL: Abuja
POPULATION: 203,452,505.
OFFICIAL LANGUAGE: English.
MONEY: Naira.
AREA: 356,667 square miles

Languages : Hausa

Hello : Sunnu
My name is : Sunana
I'am ...years old : Ina she kara

Traditional Foods

- Jollof Rice.
- Pounded Yam and Egusi Soup.
- Amala and Ewedu Soup.
- Suya.
- Pepper Soup.
- Mot-Mot.
- Akara and Agege Bread.
- Efo Riro.

NIGERIA

FUN FACTS

- THE COUNTRY HOLDS THE LARGEST NATURAL GAS RESERVES ON THE CONTINENT AND AFRICA'S LARGEST OIL AND GAS PRODUCER.
- THE FORMAL NAME OF NIGERIA IS FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.

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- SUNNU =HELLO
- SUNANA=MY NAME IS
- INA SHE KARA =I AM GOMA YEARS OLD
- GOMA = 10
- GOMA SHA DAYA = 11
- SUNNA SUNANA EDEN INA SHE KARA GOMA
- SUNNA SUMANA AVA INA SHE KARA GOMA