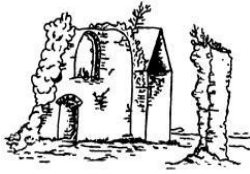


# The Priory Catholic Voluntary Academy

Part of the Saint Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi Academy Trust



## Modern Foreign Languages Statement of Intent

**Intent – What we teach and why we teach it, ambitious for all.**

### **The context of our school**

At The Priory Catholic Voluntary Academy, our religious beliefs coined within Catholic social teaching are central to the provision throughout the whole school; and the foundation on which the ethos of the school is built. Every person is recognised as a unique creation of God; it is the intention of the school, for each child to be assisted in every way possible, to achieve their potential in Modern Foreign Languages. It is essential that our approach to teaching Modern Foreign Languages is accessible to all learners, regardless of background and any learners with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. Every child is unique and special in the eyes of God, and we must give every child the best start to their learning journey by empowering them to become confident learners in Modern Foreign Languages.

Learning a foreign language is part of the primary national curriculum and is a requirement for all children within Key Stage 2 (KS2). At the Priory Catholic Voluntary Academy we have adapted a whole school approach to the teaching of French to all KS2 pupils. In September 2022, we adopted a sequenced, progressive, interactive teaching scheme called *Language Angels* which has accelerated the children's learning and enjoyment of MFL. This scheme has also supported teachers to accelerate their teaching through supporting factors such as pronunciation and phonics. Our aim is to develop the confidence and competence of each child in the foreign language they are learning. Our goal is for them to be passionate, curious and confident about their own foreign language learning abilities when they finish the primary school phase of their education.

Our goal is to develop and demonstrate progress in the four key language skills necessary for learning French:

- Speaking
- Listening
- Writing
- Reading

We aim to ensure that pupils of all abilities develop solid foundations in these key language learning skills – preparing them for the next stage of their language learning journey. Through learning a language, children will also be developing their confidence to speak; build fluency in reading; use imagination in writing and a strong awareness and sense of respect for other cultures and countries encompassing our WE CARE ethos of our school. These skills will develop children's ability to understand what they hear and read and enable them to express themselves in speech and writing.