

Our Vision for the Spanish Curriculum:

Our vision for the Spanish curriculum at Bournville School Primary, is that children are taught to develop an interest in learning another language in a way that is enjoyable and stimulating. We encourage children's confidence to speak Spanish in everyday situations. We help our children develop their awareness of cultural differences in another country. We strive to embed the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing skills necessary to enable children to use and apply their Spanish learning in a variety of contexts and lay the foundations for future language learning, as they transition to each new key stage. As citizens of the UK's second largest city, Birmingham and a city which is ethnically and culturally diverse, it is important to foster in our pupils a respect and interest in other cultures.

How we deliver the curriculum:

Our MFL curriculum is designed to progressively develop children skills in languages, through regular taught lessons and daily spoken, 'incidental' language. Children progressively acquire, use and apply a growing bank of vocabulary organised around topics. Children are encouraged and supported to develop their speaking and listening skills through conversational work, singing activities and games. As confidence and skill grows, children record their work through pictures, captions and sentences.

We have language specialists in our all through school, who teach some of our lessons, here in Primary. In the Summer Term, we will have a Spanish week to raise engagement across the school and to provide further opportunities for our pupils to practise using their modern foreign language.

The Impact of teaching our children to speak Spanish:

The learning challenges used, to plan and teach Spanish, ensure that children are accessing work at age related expectations, with regular opportunities to be challenged through higher-level objectives. Children are assessed according to age related expectations in line with curriculum requirements. Children and staff will be able to use 'everyday' phrases with confidence and purpose. Topics are revisited each year with an added skill or challenge. This ensures that each topic is revisited regularly to embed each learning objective. The lesson structure also allows time to revisit the previous lesson's knowledge and build upon this. Subject and school leaders will monitor the impact of our curriculum provision through completing regular monitoring of books, pupil voice and lesson visits.

How to help at Home: Here are some suggestions for ways you can help your child:

Celebrate Spanish holidays: Traditionally, most holidays in Spain have been religious in origin. At the national level the most important of these are Holy (or Maundy) Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Corpus Christi, the Feast of Saint James (July 25), and All Saints' Day (November 1). These will teach your child about Spanish culture and history. Celebrate by making some fun crafts or taking part in holiday traditions.

Cook a Spanish meal: Familiarize your child with by having him or her help you whip up a traditional Spanish meal. Your child can channel their inner Jamie Oliver with traditional Spanish dishes, such as Paella and Patatas Bravas from <https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/top-10-foods-try-spain>

Listen to Spanish music: Download some Spanish songs to listen to while at home or on the road. Listening to Spanish music will help familiarize your child with Spanish accents and pronunciations.

Puzzles: You can download and print free crosswords and word searches for your child. He or she will have fun playing, while simultaneously learning Spanish vocabulary and simple sentences. Keep a stack in the car for long road trips.

Memory game: Create some Spanish flashcards and place them face down on a table. Your child will flip over two cards. If the pictures match, your child will flip over two more cards. The point of the game is to match all of the cards from memory.

Hangman: This Spanish activity is played exactly like the original Hangman version, except you are using Spanish vocabulary words and phrases instead of English.

Watch a Spanish Movie: Have a movie night. Fire up Netflix and watch family movies such as: Coco, Zip and Zap and the Captain's Island and The Book of Life