

# East Bridgford St. Peter's C of E Academy Rationale for MFL



The National Curriculum states that learning a foreign language gives children an opening to other cultures, fosters curiosity and deepens their understanding of the world. At St. Peter's we teach Spanish in order to develop our children's enthusiasm for foreign languages and cultures from an early age and to give them a firm foundation for studying languages throughout their education.

We want our children to communicate in another language for practical purposes both in speech and as our children progress through our school, in writing. By introducing and exposing our children to Spanish, they will have a deepened ability to show respect to others and become articulate language learners.

By beginning their language journey at a young age, packing lessons full of song, dance and games, we aim to give our children a passion for languages that will last them a lifetime. Through this we want our language teaching to provide the foundation for learning further languages, equipping our children with the skills to be able to study and work in other countries.

We want our children to aspire to be valuable global citizens.