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Beckfoot Upper Heaton Modern Foreign Languages Intent

Our aim is to develop learners to gain a love of learning an additional language, providing opportunities to develop their oral and written and literacy skills. We aim to foster their curiosity and deepen their understanding of cultures, thus achieving tolerance, respect which is achieved in our school, in their community, and the world in general.

Curriculum Intent

At BUH we believe that Modern Foreign Languages play a key role in the development of confident, appreciative, respectful young people who are prepared to embrace and thrive in a complex multi-cultural world. In MFL our students learn so much more than how to speak a language; we also work hard to ensure all our students develop the skills of honest communication, creativity, resilience and independence. We want students to learn about places that are outside of their own experience, developing their understanding of the world's diversity of peoples and cultures, and encouraging them to challenge stereotypes and foster understanding. Our small team of enthusiastic language specialists strive to promote interest, curiosity and enjoyment in the learning of MFL by providing a supportive and motivating, yet challenging environment, where pupils are confident to take risks and step outside of their comfort zone and value the opportunity to learn from mistakes. The aim is to provide a firm foundation in linguistic knowledge for all students as well as broadening their horizons and enabling them to continue to further studies.

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Confident Communicators	Knowledgeable and Expert Learners
<p>To create confident communicators, the MFL curriculum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • promotes and models effective communication for formal and informal purposes. • promotes speaking to improve coherence, confidence and accuracy in the target language. • encourages students to listen carefully for understanding and communication <p>The MFL curriculum provides opportunities for all learners to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. • develop an understanding of grammar and phonics. • improve literacy skills overall 	<p>To create knowledgeable and expert learners, the MFL curriculum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is carefully planned for progress. • builds on prior knowledge, skills, phonics, vocabulary and grammar. <p>The MFL curriculum provides opportunities for all learners to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • present to their class in the target language and give feedback. • listen to and respect the views of others. • assess opportunities for improvement.
Committed Community Contributors	Future-Ready Young People
<p>To create committed community contributors, the MFL curriculum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides opportunities to understand different viewpoints and thought processes • supports their understanding of the need for wider understanding between countries and cultures, • takes cultural historic situations to help understand issues faced in modern society 	<p>To create future-ready young people, the MFL curriculum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • builds cultural capital. • fosters curiosity and deepens understanding of the world. • challenges stereotypes by learning about places outside of students' own experience.

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The MFL curriculum provides opportunities for all learners to:

- develop understanding and empathy.
- learn about importance of relationships, society and other cultures to back up EDI policy and implementation.
- develop independent learning skills.

The MFL curriculum provides opportunities for all learners to:

- understand the long-term benefits of being bi-lingual and the personal benefits it can bring to a learner.
- understand the career opportunities available from learning an additional language.
- encourage others to reap the benefits of learning an additional language.