

MFL Progression of Knowledge and Skills



Concepts	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Listening			Understand a few familiar spoken words and phrases – e.g. - teacher's instructions - days of the week - a few words in a song - colours - numbers	Understand a range of familiar spoken phrases – e.g. - basic phrases concerning myself - my family and school Respond to a clear model of language.	Understand the main points from a spoken passage made up of familiar language – e.g. - short rhyme or song - basic telephone message - weather forecast	Understand the main points and some of the detail from a short spoken passage – e.g. - sentences describing what people are wearing - an announcement
Speaking			Say and/or repeat a few words and short simple phrases – e.g. - what the weather is like - naming classroom objects Know how to pronounce some single letter sounds. Imitate correct pronunciation with some success.	Answer simple questions and give basic information – e.g. - about the weather - brothers and sisters - pets Know how to pronounce all single letter sounds. Show an awareness of sound patterns. Be clearly understood.	Ask and answer simple questions– e.g. - taking part in an interview/survey about pets/favourite food - talking to a friend about hobbies Talk about personal interests. Know how to pronounce some letter strings.	Take part in a simple conversation. Express an opinion. Know how to pronounce a range of letter strings. Begin to understand how accents change letter sounds. Can substitute items of vocabulary to vary questions or statements. Pronunciation is becoming more accurate and intonation is being developed.
Reading			Recognises and reads out a few familiar words or phrases – e.g. - from stories and rhymes - labels on familiar objects - the date Use visual clues to help with reading.	Understands some familiar written phrases – e.g. - simple weather phrases - basic descriptions of objects	Understands the main point(s) from a short written text – e.g. simple messages on a postcard/in an email Match sound to print by reading aloud familiar words and phrases. Use a book or glossary to find out the meanings of new words.	Understand the main points and some of the detail from a short written text. Begin to read independently. Use a bilingual dictionary to look up new words.
Writing			Write or copy simple words and/or symbols correctly – e.g. - personal information such as age - numbers - colours - objects Select appropriate words to complete short phrases or sentences.	Write one or two short sentences with support e.g. - a model or fill in the words on a simple form - shopping list - holiday greetings by email/postcard Begin to spell some commonly used words correctly.	Write a few short sentences with support using already learnt – e.g. - postcard - simple note or message - identity card Spell words that are readily understandable.	Write a short text on a familiar topic, adapting language already learnt. Spell commonly used words correctly.