Dear parents and carers,

The children in Key Stage 2 are very enthusiastic in their French classes and are making super progress. Many of them tell me that their families also support their learning at home, which is fantastic.

In school we currently use resources including *iLanguages* and *CGP Salut!.* - children in years 4,5 and 6 complete homework tasks from *Salut!*

We sometimes visit the free to access website *Euroclubschools*, which has information, songs and activities for French, Spanish and Italian. http://www.euroclubschools.co.uk/

There are other free websites and apps that children could also use to enhance their learning. Some children tell me they already use the **Duolingo** app, which is designed for learners of all ages. Another fantastic resource is **Memrise** which is available on iOS and android devices. The site has over 300,000 courses in over 200 languages, all free to use.

I have recently found two brand new resources that look really lovely for young language learners.

One Third Stories: stories that start in English and end in another language. The stories include new and familiar tales, gradually adding words in the second language. Their resources include books and audiobooks, some of which are free to download.

https://onethirdstories.com/

Cooking with Languages: aims to teach languages through cooking activities. The site is still under development and will add more resources and languages, but there are some free resources already available. http://cookingwithlanguages.com/

Any support that you can give to your children with their language-learning will be beneficial to them, and hopefully you will enjoy it too! If you would like any information on supporting your children's language-learning I am in school on Tuesdays. If you have a website or resource you could recommend to other parents I'd love to know – just send a note in with your child.

Happy language learning!

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