**Cave Languages**

**Primary Language Update – July 2017**

**Mixed-Age Scheme of Work**

I am pleased to say that I have now uploaded the scheme of work for mixed-age classes. There is a two-year cycle for Years 3/4 and a two-year cycle for Years 5/6. As for the KS2 Scheme of Work, you need to provide evidence of proof of purchase of resources which I have embedded in the scheme. To find out more which ones and to view an example of the planning, resources and overview of content, please go to <http://www.cavelanguages.co.uk/schemes-of-work> Scroll down to the green mouse!

**Cave Languages Training Courses – Virtual CPD**

For schools which are not close enough to the Thames Valley to attend the twilight training courses which I offer in Reading, in 2017-18 I am planning to deliver ‘virtual’ CPD via webinars. There will be courses on how to deliver the Cave Languages Scheme of Work; French Pronunciation and Grammar upskilling; Insets on Teaching Phonics; Storytelling; Assessment; Teaching Grammar. If you are interested in receiving training sessions in this way and would like to know more, please contact me.

**European Day of Languages**

The European Day of Languages is on September 26th as usual. It is a day of celebration of languages spoken throughout the world. It is very close to the start of the new term so to give you plenty of time to think about it, here are some ideas as to how you might like to celebrate it:

* Official website for the European Day of languages with lots of ideas - <http://edl.ecml.at/>
* If you are looking for some small prizes, I have noticed that it is possible to obtain free of charge some bracelets and wrist bands. The website does say that the stocks are limited, so if you are interested, I would make an order sooner rather than later - <http://edl.ecml.at/Participate/Materials/tabid/1769/language/en-GB/Default.aspx>
* ALL North East are organising a competition with vouchers as prizes – the theme is ‘I have a dream’. KS2 children are encouraged to write a short, illustrated, description of a dream, using words, phrases or sentences. The closing date is Friday, 6th. October 2017 - <https://www.all-languages.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Competition-Call-European-Day-of-Languages-2017-1.pdf>
* Recently, I attended the ‘Primary Languages Network’ conference where a very easy song in 3 languages was demonstrated which you might like to try teaching to children in your school in an assembly. You sing it to the tune of ‘row, row the boat’. Try singing it as a round, it works well.

French – J’ouvre la porte, J’ouvre mes yeux, J’ouvre mon Coeur, je parle français!

              Spanish – Abro la puerta, abro mis ojos, abro mi corazón, ¡hablo español!

              Italian – Apro la porta, aprol gli occhi, apro il mio cuore, parlo italiano!

**CPD in France and Spain**

There is still funding available via the EU for CPD Primary Language courses for teachers. Here are the links to two companies I know about. This will probably be the last year you can apply for this funding.

* PQ France – 8-day residential course based in Carcassonne - <http://www.pq-france.co.uk/index.html>
* ClaroGB – Spanish and French Immersion Courses - <http://clarogb.co.uk/site/france/>

**Sharing Good Practice**

Here are a couple of links I have added recently to my Sharing Good Practice page. There are lots more here: <http://www.cavelanguages.co.uk/sharing-good-practice>

* There is a new website about research in primary languages which looks interesting - <http://www.ripl.uk/>
* If you are interested in hosting a German teacher for two or three weeks, more information here - <http://www.ukgermanconnection.org/hostateacher>

The next update will be in September.

Bonnes Vacances!

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