Progression of skills in Mandarin 2024-2025

Year 5 Introduction of Chinese Mandarin: talking about myself and family, daily greetings, and Chinese festivals & customs	Year 6 Introduction of Chinese Mandarin: my hobbies, sports, travelling, jobs and Chinese cities.
Speaking and listening: • Listen and understand familiar words • Listen and respond to the language with actions, symbols and pictures • Listen to the language and follow simple instructions • Communicate using simple words and phrases • Ask and answer simple questions • Express simple likes and dislikes • Communicate understanding • Know that sounds are different in another language • Understand that pronunciation is important • Demonstrate accuracy in pronunciation of key words • Can present simple personal information • Can join in a song or rhyme in a group **Reading:** • Read and understand a short list of familiar words/phrases • Participate in stories, songs, poems and rhymes • Use a simple word list to find out meanings • Find similarities between English and Mandarin **Writing:** • Accurately copy familiar words • Write 1-10 words from memory • Start to build a personal word bank • Produce own vocabulary lists **Grammar:** • Develop an understanding of present tense in first and second person • Develop an awareness of simple negatives • Have an awareness of basic sentence structure • Recognise that words are spelt differently and might have tones and different punctuation	**Speaking and listening:** • Listen and understand short phrases on familiar theme • Listen for information and answer questions about it • Listen to the language and respond to instructions and simple questions • Communicate using simple phrases • Ask and answer a few questions and formulate replies • Ask for simple clarification • Have a wide understanding of phonics • Pronounce some new words • Understand and copy intonation • Present information about 'myself' using a range of phrases • Give simple instructions to others **Reading:** • Read and understand a wide range of familiar phrases • Read and understand familiar language in stories, songs, poems and rhymes • Use clues to work out meanings of new words **Writing:** • Copy and adapt short phrases • Write 2-3 simple sentences from memory • Complete a short gapped text with familiar missing words • Write description of self-using a writing frame • Complete simple written tasks from memory **Grammar:** • Start to use possessive pronouns • Extend understanding of present tense to third person • Recognise some commonly used verbs • Have an awareness of pattern of negative structures • Recognise that questions can help formulate responses • Use the alphabet to spell out words when speaking and writing • Understand the relation between the spelling and the Chinese characters.