



CULTURAL CAPITAL OPPORTUNITIES IN GERMAN

"Cultural capital is the cultural knowledge that serves as currency that helps us navigate culture and alters our experiences and the opportunities available to us. (Pierre Bourdieu)

"It is the essential knowledge that pupils need to be educated citizens, introducing them to the best that has been thought and said and helping to engender an appreciation of human creativity and achievement." (Ofsted inspection handbook)

1. Pupils are provided with opportunities beyond the National Curriculum to further and support their understanding – visits, cultural events
2. Pupils are exposed to real life scenarios to enhance their experience and understanding of German, its culture and society.
3. Pupils are exposed to a range of German literature and media to inspire creativity in the target language.
4. Pupils have the opportunity to experience and immerse themselves in the culture and traditions of countries which speak German

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
First Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding how different cultures and languages work. Etymology of words. Gender of nouns and the Formal and informal of 'du' und 'sie' in society. How Christmas is celebrated in Germany Reading authentic materials by Brother Grimms 'Hänsel und Gretel' – how have fairy tales been influenced by every day live in Germany 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School system and types of education in Germany – Schuleinführung Easter celebrations in Germany – look at differences to England historical significance Carnival in Germany – what we celebrate and when and how Extract from Struwpeter story – literary text 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> German food and regions where we consume those German artists Heinrich Zille – use some of his drawings and paintings to help develop language to describe pictures
Second Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring different counties in Germany and what they are famous for including artists, writers, musiscians and sports personalities What is the 'Oktoberfest' and how and why do we celebrate it? Authentic reading extract from Wilhelm Busch 'Max und Moritz' Christmas in Germany – traditions different to their own – virtual visit to German Christmas Markets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> German shops and famous products – businesses German foods and famous dishes in different regions Extract from Wilhelm Busch work 'Die Fliege' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> German Media and TV explore programmes German music talents – explore German music Berlinale – German film festival and German film
Third Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> German speaking countries in Europe – explore differences and similarities Works by Wilhelm Busch 'Max und Moritz' Christmas poetry and how it relates to German culture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports personalities in Germany and what influences they have Explore song lyrics from authentic German song Johann Wolfgang von Goethe 'Erkönig' poem Fasching – authentic reading article about carnival in Germany 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Etymology and how language is changing – popular culture and social media influences on language. Zeitzeugen Project with the help of Film 'Balloon' explore Germany's East and West history – BerLiner Mauer

Year 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore German film makers through reading of authentic texts • Classical composers Beethoven, Händel, Bach, Wagner – authentic text biography • Festivals that are celebrated in Germany throughout the year – traditions and history 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore differences in school system in Germany to Britain • Deutsche Dichter – German poets: Heine und Schiller who are they and why are they an important part of German culture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Countries that speak German in Europe • Heinrich Mann – famous German writer – authentic reading - biography
Year 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Places where German is spoken in Europe, Austria and Switzerland, cities and landmarks • Tourism in Germany – famous places 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The differences between education in Germany and the UK • Immigration politics in Germany 	

All Study Units in German incorporate cultural elements of the German speaking countries and we encourage pupils to have a 'global' and 'outward thinking' view of the world. Extra-Curricular Activity – Trips to Germany for Year 9 with the German Exchange to Bonndorf and in Year 7 and Year 10 to the German Christmas Markets in Cologne. German film club is for all years, European Cake bakes and taster session in HE are examples of some of the opportunities to travel and experience another culture and expand our knowledge.