



# St Cyres School

**Strive Together. Challenge Yourself.  
Realise Everyone can Succeed.**

## ***AREA OF LEARNING AND EXPERIENCE*** **Languages, Literacy and Communication**

### **Mission Statement**

To create an exciting, relevant, experimental and constantly evolving curriculum that meets mandatory requirements, ensures universal provision, empowers all stakeholders and has the four purposes at its heart.

**"You can never understand one language until you understand at least two"**  
**(Geoffrey Willans)**

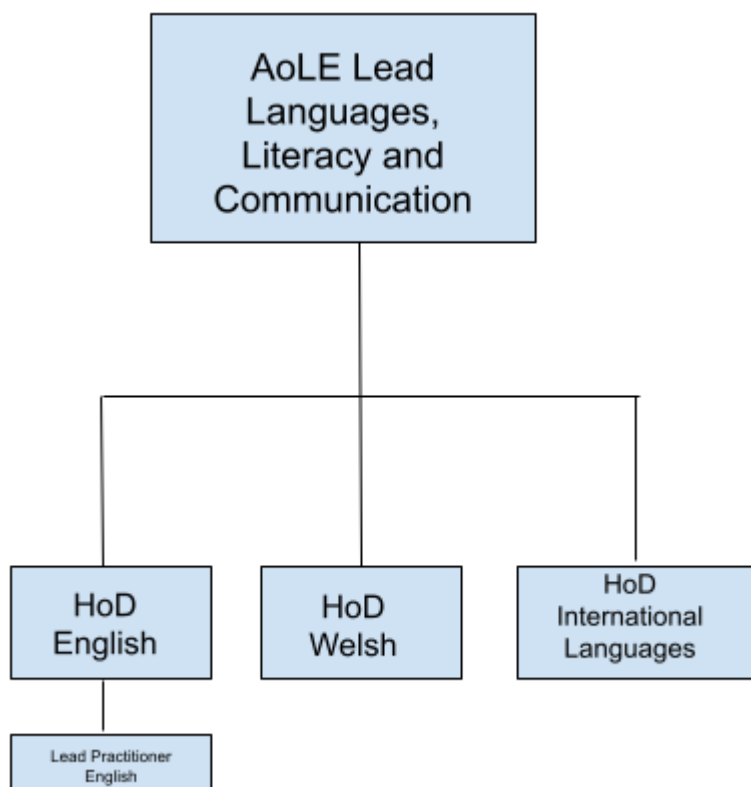
The Languages, Literacy and Communication Area of Learning and Experience is made of three distinct areas (English, Welsh and International Languages) that all strive towards the very same goal: to enable every single pupil at St Cyres to become ambitious and capable learners who know how to express themselves accurately and effectively in a register appropriate to the situation.

We aim to provide the fundamental building blocks for different forms of communication, literacy and learning about language. We also provide opportunities to learn different languages (French, German, Spanish), as well as both Welsh and English.

Digital competence is also a crucial part of our AoLE. Indeed, we want to make sure that our pupils can study and communicate using both traditional and technological tools. It is important for us that all our pupils become adept communicators able to express themselves accurately and confidently through a range of media.

Effective communication (written and oral) comes from a solid understanding of the cogs and mechanisms of language. That knowledge can then be transferred over and applied to an almost infinite number of languages or communication forms and expands/enhances one's ability to think/reason.

The Area consists of a wide range of specialist subjects split into three Head of Departments overseen by the AoLL for Languages, Literacy and Communication



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Mr Franck Grasset



**English**  
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**Head of Department**  
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**Head of Department**  
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**Staff within this AoLE also include:**

Ms C Boots (Welsh)  
Ms T Berry (Welsh)  
Ms R Dennehy (Welsh)  
Ms G Doherty (English)  
Mr D Evans (Spanish/Welsh/French)  
Ms S Hosgood (English)  
Ms L Jones (English)  
Mr S McDonald (English)  
Ms L Morgan (English)  
Ms S Pursall (English)  
Mr A Stephenson (English)  
Mr R Taylor (English)  
Ms R White (English)

**Extra curricular / Enrichment Activities**

Programme to follow