Sillen Sign Language

BSL Primary Curriculum



Key Stage One Programme of Study





Year Two

Learning Outcomes

Using Language: Productive Skills

Pupils should be able to produce:

Structure

- ★ a fully signed sentence with an adjective.
- ★ a signed subordination sentence e.g. WHY (because/giving reason).
- ★ a fully connective sentence e.g. OR.
- * and make simple additions, revision and corrections to their own signing.
- ★ a narrative about personal experiences and those of others.
- ★ a description about a real event.
- ★ a poem.
- * and plan how they are going to sign.
- ★ and retell simple sentences.
- ★ question sentences.
- ★ information and instructional sentences.

Vocabulary

- ★ 50-60 key vocabulary from the 4 BSL Curriculum themes.
- ★ signs using BSL timeline e.g. TOMORROW, NOW, TODAY, YESTERDAY, BEFORE.
- * past, present and future tenses correctly e.g. BEEN and WILL.
- ★ signing prepositions e.g. BELOW, ABOVE, BETWEEN, AROUND, THROUGH.
- ★ favourite signs.
- ★ signs for time: HALF-PAST.

Lip-Patterns

- ★ signs and lip-patterns correctly for homophones and near homophones.
- ★ correct lip-patterns for numbers.
- ★ correct lip-patterns for colours.
- ★ correct lip-patterns for days of the week and months of the year.



Description/NMF

- more signed emotions e.g. EMBARRASSED, EMOTIONAL, SHY, STUBBORN.
- * adjectives and adverbs in sentences.
- * expanded noun phrases to describe.
- * pauses to break and end sentences.
- * aspect to signing sentences.
- ★ inflections to verbs (modified base signs) e.g. RUN/RUN SLOWLY/RUN FAST.

Handshapes

- ★ correct possessive signs.
- ★ numbers up to 100.
- ★ calendar dates and year/s.
- ★ numbers for age in the correct location.
- * correct handshapes, NMF, movement, location and orientation for most signs.

Spelling

- ★ family and friends' names fingerspelled.
- ★ the alphabet in order fingerspelled.
- ★ clearly fingerspelled letters especially two same letters e.g. SPELL.
- ★ fingerspelling with increasing fluency.

Understanding Language: Receptive Skills

Pupils should understand:

Structure

- * appropriate intonations using facial expressions.
- ★ and respond appropriately to retell a sequence of events and give information.
- ★ fingerspelling at speed.
- * past, present and future tenses and recognise when these are being used.
- ★ brief explanation of events quickly.
- * and become familiar with everyday greetings.
- ★ and become familiar with signs in functional settings.
- ★ and recognise recurring signs.
- ★ a signed poem.

Vocabulary

- ★ 50-60 key vocabulary from the 4 BSL Curriculum themes.
- ★ and recognise the signs for tense e.g. BEEN and WILL.
- ★ and know common signs.
- * simple words with pictures and match signs to these.
- * signed descriptions and find images to match.
- ★ and repeat back sentences.
- ★ and be exposed to a wider range of vocabulary.



Lip-Reading

- ★ and correctly lip-read blended fingerspelling.
- ★ and correctly lip-read fingerspelled names.
- * and correctly lip-read homophones and near homophones.
- ★ that some meanings of signs are defined by the lip patterns used.

Description/NMF

- ★ and interrupt in order to clarify meaning.
- ★ more signed emotions e.g. EMBARRASSED, EMOTIONAL, SHY, STUBBORN.
- * adjectives and adverbs in sentences.
- * expanded noun phrases to describe.
- ★ pauses to break and end sentences.
- * aspect to signing sentences.
- ★ inflections to verbs (modified base signs) e.g. RUN/RUN SLOWLY/RUN FAST.

Directionality

- ★ the direction of verbs being signed e.g. I-GIVE-YOU / YOU-GIVE-ME.
- ★ signs for time: NEXT WEEK, LAST WEEK, YESTERDAY, TODAY, TOMORROW.
- ★ the use of placement and referents.
- ★ eye gaze.

Comprehension

- * and answer questions.
- * and predict what might happen next in stories and events.
- ★ and participate in discussions about events, books, poems, etc.
- ★ discuss and explain their comprehension of books, poems, etc.
- ★ the importance of using correct handshapes.
- * and know one handshape can be used for a variety of signs.
- * discuss, watch and express views.

Pupils should be taught to:

- * sign their thoughts aloud.
- * share ideas and opinions in BSL.
- * use prior knowledge and new vocabulary learnt.
- ★ have their understanding of BSL structure established.
- develop their knowledge of stories and non-fiction texts and be exposed to a wider range of vocabulary.
- ★ reinforce their deaf awareness knowledge:
 - ★ how to get attention
 - ★ eye contact
 - ★ using gestures/paper and pen if they do not know the sign
 - * keeping the mouth clear
 - * not shouting.