

# Japanese

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The students at Maldon Primary School have been learning how to talk, count and spell in Japanese for 2 years now. We have learnt about Japanese food and popular sports that are played in Japan. We have also learnt about the seasons and the weather in Japan. Every Thursday each grade has a 45 minute Japanese lesson. Jaimee Rice is our Japanese teacher and has been here for 3 years.

This is what the grade 5/6 class and 3/4 class have been learning, they have been learning Hiragana which is the Japanese letters and sounds and doing quiz work sheets. They have made and eaten sushi and drank Japanese tea. They have learnt Japanese hobbies and sports. Also this term they have been learning how to answer Japanese quizzes and questions like, what is your name, what's your age and where do you live. We also did calligraphy with ink, origami and craft which are all Japanese hobbies. Ed said "I enjoy Japanese because we learn a traditional language and having fun with my friends." Piper said "I like learning about the different culture."

In the 2/3 class, they were learning how to draw and write a sentence. They had to draw someone eating something, writing in Japanese words what was happening in the picture. They have been learning about Japanese festivals and seasons at the moment. Chloe and Liam both said they like learning the Japanese language and learning weird words.

In the P/1 class they have been also been learning about Japanese festivals and seasons. They are also learning to use Japanese greetings.

