

Course Outline - Mini Learners

This course is for **young learners from 4 years of age,** with no more than 8 children participating per class.

Children will learn through games, songs and play, basic German words and core phrases based on the **KIKUS program "Kinder in Kultur und Sprache"** (Kids in Culture and Language). The KIKUS work sheets are designed to encourage and support children in learning the German language in parallel structure to their first language – English. It also helps parents/carers deepen the child's new knowledge learned at school by repeating and practising at home. The work sheets, picture cards, various games, books, selected toys and audio CDs are used to make learning fun and let children develop competency in speaking and understanding the German language & culture.

Topics covered in this course include:

- Me and my family
- Body parts
- How do I live/furniture
- German ABC
- Numbers 1-20
- Colours
- Clothes
- Animals
- Food
- Seasons & celebrations in German culture

Learning Outcomes

On completion of this class, children will have learnt the following in German:

- How to greet and say good-bye to someone
- A limited range of vocabulary and articles
- German alphabet song
- How to count from 1 to 20
- Basic colours
- Animals at home, on the farm and in the zoo
- A number of fruit, vegetables and other foods
- Naming the four seasons
- German celebrations (such as Carnival, Easter, Lantern Festival, Oktoberfest, Christmas)

Materials -

To support the children's learning experience, the following materials are used in this course:

KIKUS worksheets and picture cards published by Hueber Verlag, song sheets, books, blocks, puzzles, games, selected toys and audio CDs.