

## Pre/Primary School

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Dear Parents,

The Language team would like to invite you to a meeting about the importance of Mother Tongue. This is for Year 2 parents and for any KS2 parents whose child's mother tongue is not English.

The meeting will take place in Zekeriyakoy, in the music room on the second floor of the primary building, on Wednesday 22nd June from 12.45 – 1.30. Year two parents will then have plenty of time after the meeting to get the best seats in the theatre to watch the year 1,2 show.

We are choosing to target Year 2 students moving into KS2 as research shows this is a critical time in the development of higher level academic skills, particularly in Reading and Writing. A concentrated effort in developing these Mother Tongue skills in the KS2 years can be of enormous benefit to the development of both languages, Mother Tongue and English. Options are also widened for the Secondary School years, Tertiary Education and generally for your child's place in the world as a global citizen with a strong cultural identity.

We will deliver a short presentation that will hopefully answer frequently asked questions concerning the maintenance of Mother Tongue. This will be followed by time for discussion and questions.

We will also discuss what options the school can offer you to support your child's Mother Tongue. Please complete the form below and return it to school to indicate your interest. We look forward to meeting with you.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Gwillim  
Area Leader for ESL and Languages

### **Mother Tongue Meeting**

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

- I am able to attend the meeting
- I am unable to attend the meeting but would like a meeting to discuss Mother Tongue.
- I will not attend the meeting

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

