

INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE WEEK

27-31 January

UNESCO will celebrate the 25th anniversary of International Mother Language Day (February 21st), reaffirming the importance of linguistic diversity and multilingualism in fostering dignity, peace, and understanding. Here at OSFC students study French, Spanish and Italian, and also learn German and Mandarin as well as speaking many many mother languages. [Our European Parliament Ambassadors](#) are celebrating both European and world languages this week. ^①

UNESCO International Days

International Mother Language Day

21 February

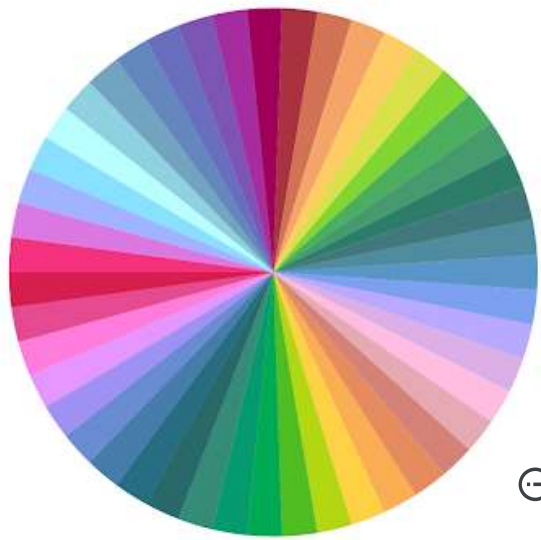
have seen these **International Mother Language Week** illustrating our cultural diversity and the wide variety of languages spoken by

#OSFC FAMILY

Well done everyone, you've made it to Celebration Day!
This year we wanted to highlight the diverse breadth of countries that our students hail from. Everyone is a part of our OSFC family.

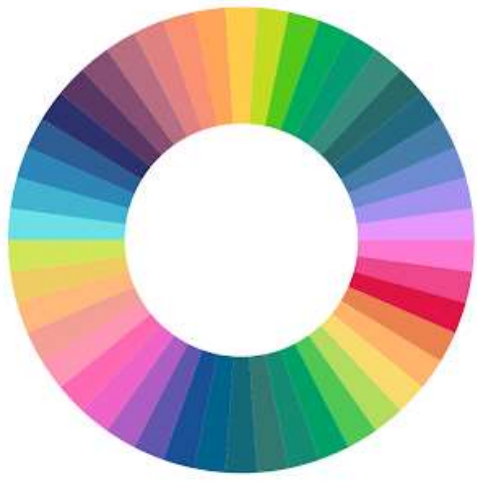
**Our students are from a whopping 47 different countries!
 Try and find your country and link it to the correct colour.**

- Andorra
- Belgium
- France
- Greece
- Ireland
- Lithuania
- Netherlands
- Pakistan
- Spain
- Tajikistan
- United Kingdom
- United States of America
- Afghanistan
- Azerbaijan
- Cameroon
- Dominican Republic
- Kenya
- Poland
- Sao Tome and Principe
- Bangladesh
- Czech Republic
- Germany
- India
- Italy
- Luxembourg
- Nigeria
- Philippines
- Sri Lanka
- Syria
- Turkey
- Albania
- Belarus
- China
- El Salvador
- Maldives
- Romania
- Somalia



**Learning a language is incredibly challenging.
 Can you believe that our students speak over 35 languages.**

- Albanian
- Swahili
- Turkish
- Yoruba
- Lithuanian
- Portugese
- Sinhala
- Twi
- German
- Henko
- Mirpuri
- Tamil
- Urhubo
- Punjabi
- French
- Hindi
- Cantonese
- Greek
- Wolof
- Lithuanian
- Romanian
- Dari
- Gujarati
- Edo
- Lingala
- Tigrinya
- Urdu
- Spanish
- Arabic
- Dutch
- Mandarin
- Igbo
- Russian
- Polish
- Somali
- Farsi
- Pothwari
- Fillipino
- Malayalam
- Sylet
- Ukrainian
- Bengali
- Italian



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 Sudan

 Sweden

click on the link to watch a film

La Vie En Rose: Biopic of French singer Edith Piaf with Marion Cotillard and Gerard Depardieu. Piaf escaped poverty to become a huge star. In French with English subtitles. Contains some strong language. [2007] [S]

Que la Bete Meure: (1969) Grieving father Michael Duchaussoy vows to avenge his son's death by a drunk driver in the late Claude Chabrol's drama with an unexpected twist ending. In French/subs. [S]

Spirited Away: (2001) Oscar-winning animation about a girl who gets trapped in a playground for the gods and must find a way for her and her parents to escape. In Japanese/subs. [S]

Wad'ja: (2012) A Bafta-nominated rites-of-passage drama looking, via the tale of a headstrong 10-year-old girl's desire for a bicycle, at everyday realities for Saudi Arabian women. In Arabic/subs. [S]

Train to Busan: (2016) Week of the Dead: Horror. Passengers going to the city of Busan battle for their lives when someone infected with a zombie virus boards their train. In Korean/subs. Gory violence. [S]

Alamar: (2009) In Pedro Gonzalez-Rubio's beautiful semi-documentary, a Mexican father and his son spend time together before the child returns to Italy with his mum. In Spanish/Italian/subs. [S]

Das Boot: (1982) Classic multi-Oscar-nominated drama following the fortunes and dangers of a German U-boat and its crew in the Atlantic during World War II. With Jazrgen Prochnow. In German/subtitles. [S]

Creag nam Buthaidean agus Na Caraidean Ura: When there's a dangerous storm heading towards Puffin Rock, Oona, Baba and some of their new friends try to bring a missing egg to the safety of the burrows before it is lost. But what is Iseabail up to? In Gaelic

Kṛṣṇā-hi: A story of a brother and sister. When the sister goes missing her brother tries to find her, but everyone seems to have forgotten about her existence. In Hindi

"Kana koona kora kora kera kana kao kooore, kana kao karega kuura kooya kamuti karige kora, kora koora keehitha kahigaini"

Find out what the University of Manchester is doing for International Mother Language Day