

If you are reading this, you are interested in taking part in the Coombe Dean Languages Week competitions!

All entrants will earn ClassCharts points via a special limited-edition button – make sure you get involved!

1. LanguageNut

During Coombe Dean Languages Week you will notice extra activities to complete alongside your homework. Dive in and work through as many as you like – it may be to do with your lesson content, it may not; it is all relevant for learning your chosen language!

Each year group's language classes will compete against each other, so if your class earn more points on LanguageNut that week than the other class, they will earn a prize!

Whichever class comes out on top in the whole school will also win an extra prize. The pupil who earns the most points on LanguageNut will be crowned LanguageNut King or Queen and will also be rewarded an extra prize.

2. Coombe Dean city / country fact file

This year's motto is: *Languages unite!* and we are uniting Art, Geography, History and Languages in a competition to see who can produce the best fact file. It can be about a city or country and must include information about the place, the languages spoken and at least one artistic element. Maybe you have visited the place, or maybe you have aspirations to go there? You can add any other elements; your creativity has no restrictions!

Please hand your entry to Mr Whittington or deliver it to E6.

3. European Day of Languages 2026: UK Schools Competition

The final competition is being run on a national scale. If you win, your entry may be seen around the whole country! The information is attached here:

Together ALLNE, NfLNE and partners invite pupils across the UK to take part in our annual European Day of Languages competition.

Supporting the **National Year of Reading 2026**, this year's theme is:

A few words that mean so much

The competition celebrates how carefully chosen words can make a difference. Languages are an important part of reading, literacy and communication, helping us express ideas, emotions and cultures.

Suggestion for Secondary School pupils: One Powerful Message

Create a meaningful text in a language you are learning. This could be a poster, blog, advert, letter, narrative or poem designed to inspire, support or connect with someone.

‘Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.’

J. M. Barrie

Entry requirements

- Open to language learners at all key stages, up to KS5.
- Entries must include words in a language or languages other than English.
- Entries may include artwork, but judging will focus principally on the language.
- Handwritten work is preferred, although AI support may be used where needed. Teachers should indicate this.
- Entries must be no larger than A4.
- Pupils should write their **name, age, language, class, teacher and school** on the back.

Prizes: Certificates and vouchers will be awarded to winners identified by the judges at each key stage, with additional prizes possible at the judges’ discretion.

Deadline: Wednesday, 7th October 2026

If you have any questions, please ask Mr Whittington. Please send entries to Mr Whittington at lwhittington@coombedean.co.uk or hand to him in person (E6 is his classroom). He will then send your entry on to the judges!