

SUPPORTING LANGUAGES, INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS, INTERCULTURAL EXPERIENCES

- International Newcastle (IN) is a not-for-profit social enterprise set up in 2012 and applying for charitable status
- IN and Newcastle City Council work together and with a wide range of local, regional, UK and international partners
- We provide support, broker expertise, attract resources and widen access to opportunities for schools, children and young people, communities and local organisations
- Our focus is boosting languages, intercultural awareness, international connections and experiences
- Our partnership priority theme 2020-23 is...





OUR ACTIVITIES



International Connections

We broker international links and connections to increase access to experiences, engagement and opportunities, especially for children and young people, including disadvantaged and underrepresented groups.

Newcastle City of Languages

We support language teaching, learning and take up in Newcastle schools and the wider community, supporting the development of skills for the current and future workforce. We also facilitate and promote activities celebrating languages and cultures and our connections to the world.

Internationalism in the City

We support activities to increase intercultural awareness and engagement and promote social cohesion, inclusion and the celebration of cultural diversity in the city and support for underrepresented groups.



Benefits and impact for children and young people

- Opening up new perspectives and dialogue
- Enhancing the education curriculum
- Building invaluable international connections and experiences
- Developing intercultural awareness and understanding
- Supporting their language learning, communication skills and critical thinking
- Raising aspirations and building confidence
- Influencing positive education and life choices and future career opportunities



CONNECTING INTERNATIONALLY

How we help Newcastle schools and pupils

Supporting schools directly to develop international connections where Newcastle already has links, or with other parts of the world

Encouraging schools to engage with relevant UK, European and international programmes, events and initiatives

Levering support from local, regional, national partners and sharing links to funding and resources to help enhance relationships

Supporting opportunities for children and young people, especially from disadvantaged areas to engage in international experiences and establishing relations





TURING

SCHEME

Funded by the UK's global
programme to study and work abroad

Connecting internationally: Schools' links and Turing

Supporting schools' Turing applications in 2021 and 2022 for visits in 2022 and 2023 (15 schools, approx. £500,000 grants, 500+ children travelling)

Brokered 25 new links for schools, many with our twin town of Nancy in France, new links with Gelsenkirchen, Germany, developing link with Spain and supporting other international links

Providing advice and support on developing and enhancing international connections, working virtually and encouraging joint activities

CONNECTING INTERNATIONALLY

Sharing opportunities for young people 16+, groups and organisations

Access

- International events and programmes for young people 16+ to get involved with

Resources

- Sharing opportunities and support for international collaboration and exchange

Relationships

- Strengthening our existing international partnerships and developing new ones

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NEWCASTLE CITY OF LANGUAGES

Supporting the teaching, take up and learning of Modern Foreign Languages in schools and celebrating and recognising home and community languages



Built a partnership of local, regional and national partners, Embassies and cultural institutions supporting language teaching and learning

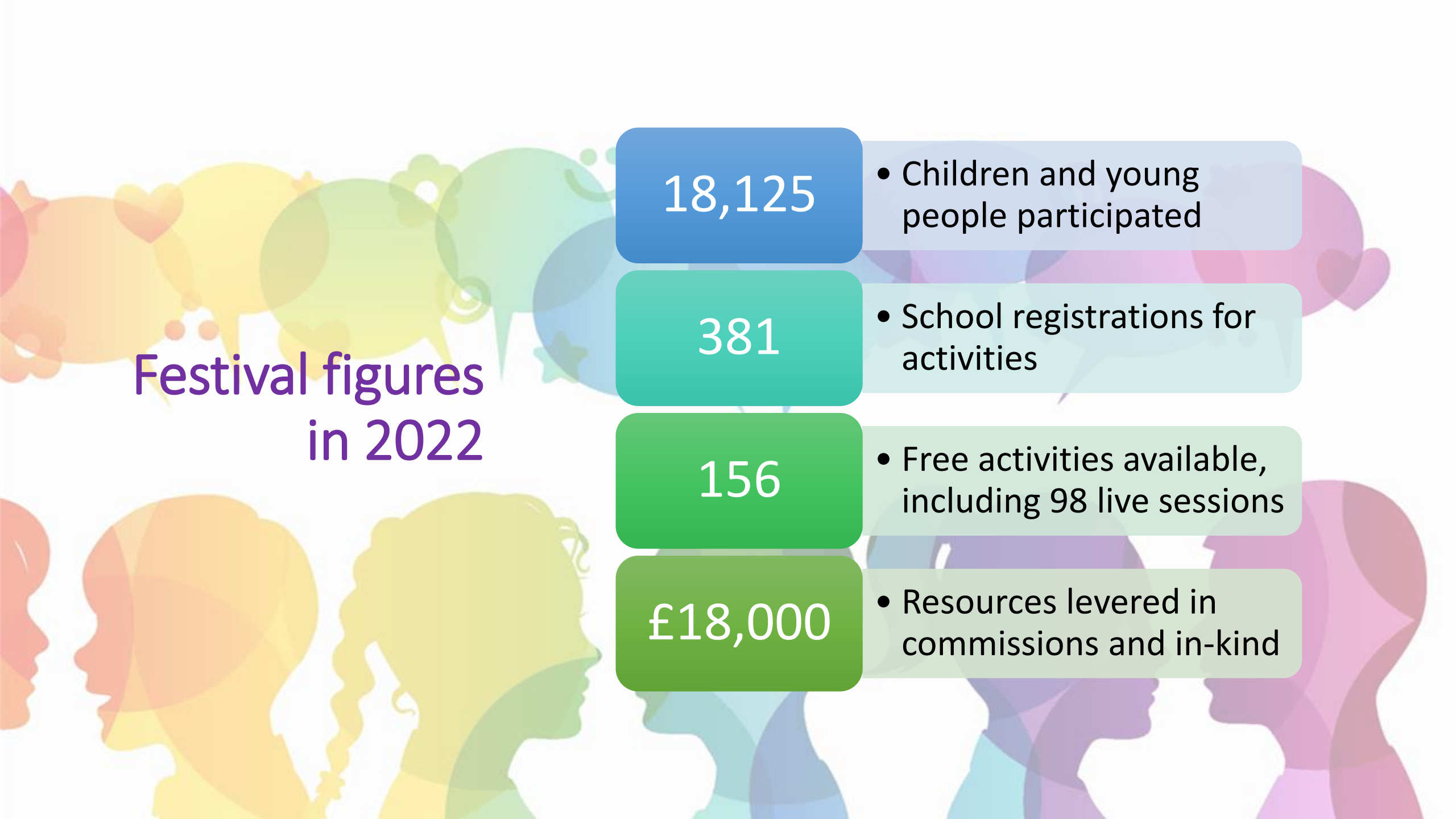
Supporting Primary and Secondary MFL Subject Networks: engaging teachers, sharing learning and opportunities and understanding needs

Widening access to CPD, language resources and international connections to support language teaching and learning

Promoting and celebrating languages and cultures to improve take up, attainment and future education, skills and careers opportunities



- 2021 pilot Festival delivered online with wide partnership support, contributions and resources for a month long-festival in March
- Provided free, fun and engaging activities celebrating diverse languages and cultures and our connections to the world
- Offered live events, pre-recorded workshops and resources to download and use in schools and communities
- 2022 Festival delivered more activities, resources and online and in person events in March and launched 'The Big 3' projects (Feb)
 - Festival Song (video compilation produced)
 - Mother Tongue Other Tongue writing (ebook)
 - Languages Open Doors poster competition
- 2023 Festival launches 'The Big 3' projects in early January, with a month of live events, activities and resources available in March
- We are also encouraging schools with international links to do activities together



Festival figures in 2022

18,125

- Children and young people participated

381

- School registrations for activities

156

- Free activities available, including 98 live sessions

£18,000

- Resources levered in commissions and in-kind

Mother Tongue Other Tongue
2022
EXPRESS YOURSELF
North East Festival of Languages
1-31 MARCH 2022
by the Young People across the North East

420 written entries (ebook)

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MUSIC PARTNERSHIP NORTH
I Am A Small Part of the World
Sally K. Albrecht & Jay Althouse, arr. Gareth Miller

2,070 performed the Festival Song (video compiled)

534 drew Languages Open Doors posters

BSL

4,341 in 87 live language tasters

BEAT THE RAT RACE
USING LANGUAGES TO GET AHEAD

1,933 at languages & careers webinar



North East Festival of Languages

1-31 MARCH 2022

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6,150 accessed 5 languages tasters

Tinku dancers – Bolivian carnival Photo credit: Felipe Abreu

Breeze Bharatanatyam dance Photo credit: Lee Dobson

Dhol Drumming - Roshan Singh

1,620 took part in 3 different world languages and cultures workshops

1,080 accessed 3 French puppet shows

Ancient Stories in stone

396 accessed University online resources

Fun with Japanese

Education Resources
www.japansociety.org.uk | education@japansociety.org.uk

674 took part in recorded workshops



**North East
Festival of Languages**
1-31 MARCH 2022

FESTIVAL FEEDBACK

CELEBRATING LANGUAGES

The Festival gets better and better! The children at loved learning a new language while celebrating their own language and culture- thank you from all of us!

The children felt proud to celebrate the languages which they speak.



CELEBRATING DIVERSITY



Thanks a lot for providing such a great opportunity for our pupils to share their culture and language!

It raised the profile of heritage languages and our children's talents around school.

WIDENING PERSPECTIVES

Why Languages webinar - just what we needed to reinforce where languages can take you and how they can be useful. A great springboard to discuss higher education and career opportunities with KS4.



NEW EXPERIENCES

Our students thoroughly enjoyed learning a song in a new language.

Thank you for offering these excellent experiences, which we were able to open up to a wide number of pupils.





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FESTIVAL FEEDBACK

LEARNING FROM OTHERS

I enjoyed reading about the life and language experiences of people as part of How Languages Changed my Life - really interesting to find out all the different journeys of so many different people.



SUPPORTING SANCTUARY

We used our involvement in the Mother Tongue, Other Tongue project for our School of Sanctuary application and to amplify the voices of our EAL pupils.



PROMOTING LANGUAGE LEARNING

Our school really enjoyed taking part in the languages festival. A great way to promote languages across our school.



EMPOWERING LEARNERS

As a school we chose to focus on 5 languages during the month, one for each week and the ones most relevant to the children ie Polish, Japanese, Spanish French and Sign Language. The children were very pleased and proud to share their mother tongue with us and become 'teacher'.





Festival impact

- Boosts children and young people's interest in language learning and other cultures
- Facilitates a celebration of home languages and exploring children's own cultures, heritage and backgrounds in schools
- Encourages new connections between partners, communities and schools to continue engagement
- Helps widen participation and increase interest in language take up for future skills and careers
- Increases interest in international links from our schools to support languages and wider cross-curriculum engagement and development
- Helps engage more partners who can provide support for language learning, understanding and celebrating cultures
- Gives national profile and recognition for Newcastle and the North-East and our ambitions to support language teaching, learning and take up



INTERNATIONALISM IN THE CITY

Increasing intercultural awareness and engagement and celebrating cultural diversity

- Promoting intercultural dialogue and awareness raising by engaging with partners and communities in the city
- Publicizing partners' events and activities, ambitions and achievements around cultural diversity and awareness
- Promoting access to opportunities for diverse communities, including business, skills and training initiatives for underrepresented groups
- Using the annual Festival of Languages to engage, celebrate and profile our diverse language and cultural communities



INTERNATIONALISM IN THE CITY

Supporting Sanctuary and campaigns

- Promotion of advice, guidance and how to support refugees and asylum seekers arriving in the city
- Promoting volunteering opportunities
- Engagement in Newcastle Sanctuary Forum to improve collaboration and support for refugees and asylum seekers within the city
- Supporting Newcastle Schools of Sanctuary and promoting engagement and links to opportunities for intercultural and language activities in schools





International Newcastle and Newcastle City Council

How we work together to support schools

Declan Baharini (International Newcastle) works very closely with Sarah Edgar in Newcastle City Council's School Effectiveness Team. Sarah is the City Council's lead contact for all work around international relations for the schools and for languages and is the usual conduit for communications with schools. She is also the English as an Additional Language lead for Newcastle schools.

Opportunities for schools are shared via:

- Newcastle Schools Modern Foreign Language Network (co-ordinated by Sarah Edgar) – language teachers sign up with Sarah sarah.edgar@newcastle.gov.uk
- [Services for Schools](#) website
- enewsletter to Head Teachers with input from Schools Effectiveness team
- Sarah's direct contact with groups of schools who may be working on particular issues (such as Turing scheme funded group of schools setting up international links and visits; those introducing new language programmes in schools, Schools of Sanctuary etc)
- International Newcastle's website and social media channels
- We also develop or host events and engage partners to provide resources, briefings and information, and share opportunities for schools.
- We host and plan (with partners) the Express Yourself NE Festival of Languages

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- Further information about the work of International Newcastle, latest news, a Directory of organisations and also a range of resources available are all on our [website here](#)
- See some of the current languages opportunities for schools and how we support international partnerships [online here](#):
- Languages resources for schools are [shared here](#)

Get involved in Express Yourself NE Festival of Languages

- [Express Yourself: North East Festival of Languages website](#)
- Social media: [Twitter](#) [Facebook](#) [Instagram](#)