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Collaborate to celebrate	Prep time+3 periods All stages	<p>P.E- organise a Zumba or tai-chi class</p> <p>H.E – bake language cupcakes (with flags colours) for bake sale and all proceeds go to suitable charity (homework)</p> <p>SMT- pupils create a short introduction for SMT to use to introduce an assembly</p> <p>All Staff – pupils create a slide in a variety of languages stating the date, time and weather. Put this on the shared drive and encourage whole staff to introduce their classes using a different language (with slide as support)</p> <p>Business Education - departments work together to create a quiz highlighting the importance of languages in the business world. Business Education uses this quiz with all classes for promotion of both curricular areas.</p> <p>All staff: Young people create a quiz for their teachers. Each department answers the questions together. No referring to google allowed! Best department gets a small prize. Example questions: What is the widely most language spoken in the world? What is the following word: un avion – a type of food/transport or school subject?</p>
Whole School Languages Challenge	2 periods Junior years or senior beginners	<p>Find out all the languages spoken in your school community. Use your artistic skills to create welcome signs in all of these languages. Best pieces of work judged by the art department can be displayed in your welcome area.</p> <p>http://www.omniglot.com/language/phrases/welcome.htm</p>
Continental Cuisine	3 periods S1-S4	<p>Collaborate with your school canteen to organise a range of continental dishes on offer on EDL. Allow your colleagues and young people to sample some of the following: Frikadellen/Patatas Bravas, Quiche and Spring rolls.</p> <p>Associated Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create menus in all of the languages for the dining tables • Create advertising for the event by producing posters/introducing the event at assemblies in the target language (with 1 slide in English as support)



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Tutor/Class Challenge – Continental breakfast and/or Quiz	Prep time +1 period Any stage	<p>Tutor or class challenge: Organise a breakfast or Spanish tapas. Pupils source authentic items and points/prizes are allocated to tutor groups or classes who bring in most items.</p> <p>Tutor challenge: Create a language quiz for a year group/year groups to be completed in tutor/registration time.</p>
Teach your classmates and family one word a day for EDL week!	Junior pupils	<p>Use any of the following flashcards:</p> <p>http://www.semanda.com/printable.aspx?ID=img</p> <p>http://www.learnalanguage.com/learn-french/french-words/</p> <p>http://www.german-games.net/</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primarylanguages/spanish</p> <p>http://www.digitaldialects.com/Italian.htm</p>
Read and write short poems and songs in other languages	2 periods Any stage	<p>It's National Poetry day on the 8th October. Embrace your inner poet and browse the Mother Tongue Other Tongue poetry resources page for links to poems in other languages, lesson ideas and other resources for writing short form poetry in the target language:</p> <p>http://www.scilt.org.uk/MTOTpoetryresources/tabid/5277/Default.aspx</p> <p>-Ready for winter coming...Share this French poem with your S1 /S2 class: French: http://www.frenchtoday.com/french-poetry-reading/chanson-pour-les-enfants-l-hiver-jacques-prevert-song-french-poem-video</p> <p>German: The returning soldier: poem written by 11 year old schoolgirl: http://www.bl.uk/collection-items/returning-soldier-poem-by-schoolgirl</p>



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Learn a tongue twister in another language	1 period Any stage	Use this vast database of tongue twisters from around the world to set your learners a tongue twister challenge. Learners can score points for pronunciation and speed. http://www.uebersetzung.at/twister/
Have fun reading and working out the jokes:	20 minutes Any stage	Search and select age appropriate jokes in the target language on google. http://www.frenchtoday.com/blog/french-jokes-puns-blagues-en-francais-16-audio - French http://www.deutsch-lernen.com/learn-german-online/jokes.php - German https://oneyearinspanish.wordpress.com/2013/11/04/9-jokes-for-spanish-learners/ - Spanish
Fun things to do during the Moon Festival, second largest festival in China lasting two weeks Make greetings cards for the Moon Festival Good background info for the Moon Festival!	2 periods Any stage	http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/chinese-fortune-sticks http://www.travelchinaguide.com/greeting-cards/mid-autumn/ http://www.travelchinaguide.com/essential/holidays/mid-autumn.htm
Research what are considered to be typical foods for celebrating festivals in China!	1 period Any stage	http://www.travelchinaguide.com/tour/food/chinese-cooking/festival-food.htm



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European brands logos challenge	1 period S3-S6	<p>Classes search for international French/German/Spanish companies. Points awarded to individual/group who finds most.</p> <p>Prepare challenge by sourcing logos for European companies, and ask pupils to identify them. Differentiate by matching logos with list of companies; asking pupils to identify them with no help; giving part of logo (with or without clue) and doing slow reveal:</p> <p>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/French_companies http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/German_companies</p>
Guess the language!	1 period Any stage	<p>Pupils and staff across the school record a small piece in their native language. Split your young people into groups and ask them to guess the language or use the pre-recorded material below: (scroll down on the following page)</p> <p>http://europa.eu/about-eu/facts-figures/administration/index_fr.htm</p>
Have fun with literacy and languages	1 period Any stage	<p>Use this fun resource to look at the different meanings of words between languages. Did you know that the word gift in English means something completely different in German? Use the link below to create a list of these words and their meaning to display in your classroom.</p> <p>http://edl.ecml.at/LanguageFun/Sameworddifferentmeaning/tabid/3103/language/en-GB/Default.aspx</p>
Online and interactive games	2 periods S3/S4 + Senior pupils and Junior pupils	<p>Teacher or Senior pupils use the link below to prepare a multiple choice on different European countries for younger pupils. (e.g. select France – true or false – their currency is the Euro/less than 80 million tourists visit France every year)</p> <p>http://europa.eu/kids-corner/countries/flash/index_fr.htm</p> <p>Play internet games in target language or English about aspects of daily life in the European Union.</p> <p>http://europa.eu/kids-corner/index_fr.htm French http://europa.eu/kids-corner/index_en.htm English http://europa.eu/kids-corner/index_es.htm Spanish http://europa.eu/kids-corner/index_de.htm German</p>



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Research project on famous people/inventions	Homework challenge or 2-3 periods S1-S4 or Beginners	Research 5 famous people (or inventions) in a country of your choice & present some basic facts about them to class in a different language. The link below may be helpful: http://edl.ecml.at/LanguageFun/Celebritiesspeakinglanguages/tabid/3113/language/en-GB/Default.aspx
Want to learn to sign?	1 period Any stage	Using the link below in pairs learn how to sign 10 European countries. Practise and test your partner! http://edl.ecml.at/LanguageFun/CountryGame/tabid/3128/Default.aspx Simply select a country, watch and learn the sign. Try to remember as many as you can.
Languages Treasure Hunt	1 day plus preparation time Any stage	Post clues/objects around the school and pupils have to follow the trail and work out the language/culture link. House points could be awarded to the winners. Alternatively, collect information from teachers about their experiences in foreign languages. Who did a gap year abroad? Who has a language degree? Who speaks another language with their spouse and family? Pupils hunt down the mystery teachers to collect a clue.
Travel Challenge	1 week plus presentation time. Any stage	Some "customers" want you to book a holiday to ... Research best place to visit giving reasons for your choice. Make up a short travel itinerary along with some essential phrases to help them during their trip. Travel brochures, postcards & Internet. Maps & globe. Reference materials (encyclopaedias, fact-files, foreign magazines...). http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages http://www.digitaldialects.com
School/Departmental twitter feed (Senior pupils)		Learners create messages about the usefulness of language learning in the target language. Tweet it using #lovelanguages, #whylanguages and #EDL2014 hashtags. www.twitter.com



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Whole School Celebration	1 day plus preparation time	<p>Enlist the support of your colleagues and pupils to make the school a hub of ML activity!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ask non-teaching staff to create an international look in the entrance to your school. They could help put up welcome signs/flags. Approach your office staff to use the digital screen to promote the EDL for all to see as soon as they arrive to school. - Ask your art colleagues and senior pupils to do flag face painting at lunchtime – proceeds could go to an appropriate charity. - Non-uniform day: pupils and staff wear national dress of another country
“Euro Zone”	<p>Preparation time required between Primary and Secondary staff</p> <p>Event takes place over the course of the day with selected classes</p>	<p>Link up with cluster Primary schools. Secondary pupils perform prepared short activities (role-play, songs, poems, Simon Says) to the Primary class (and vice-versa if possible). Each can give feedback on which one they preferred most.</p> <p>Pupils could also give a short lesson to younger pupils and set them a challenge, which could then be done in class or sent to secondary pupils at a later date.</p> <p>Host a European Quiz and let both Primary and Secondary pupils compete against each other! Glow/Internet.</p> <p>Web cameras and quality microphones for transmitting sound.</p> <p>Prepared activities: Songs, Poems, role-play in foreign language, or interactive games such as “Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes” or “Simon Says”.</p> <p><u>Challenge suggestions:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create a French comic strip story with the imaginary characters Pierre and Celine. The best storyline wins. 2. Create a profile in French for your favourite music star or sports personality. 3. Choose a selection of countries around Europe that you would like to visit and create a small information leaflet about them (include in French: name; nationality; landmarks; food; picture of flag; capital city and famous people).



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Competitive translating!	1 hour + H or AH pupils	<p>Copies of same article/paragraph from online teen news site in target language. Challenge teams of students to translate into English. Potentially, prizes for the best in each of the target languages and then best overall.</p> <p>A selection of news articles are translated into French, Spanish, German and Italian on a weekly basis. http://www.theday.co.uk/translations Example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - http://theday.co.uk/francais/le-nouveau-harry-potter-bient-t-londres - http://theday.co.uk/arts/new-harry-potter-play-to-hit-the-west-end
Want to be a superstar or the next karaoke king/queen?	1 hour + S4-S6	<p>Interested in finding out the reality show talents in Germany? Use these links to check out what's going on..... http://www.rtl.de/cms/sendungen/superstar.html</p> <p>Use www.google.co.uk to find out the top 20 songs in France/Germany/Spain/Italy/China. If IT permissions allow, use You tube to showcase the songs to the pupils.</p> <p>Associated activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Class survey – the most popular song - Gap fill –source the lyrics of the song and create a gap fill activity on word
Quizzes/Resources	Any stage	<p>Use the EDL website for inspiration for quizzes and fabulous resources:</p> <p>http://archive.ecml.at/quiz/default_e.html http://edl.ecml.at/LanguageFun/LanguageQuiz/tabid/1873/language/en-FR/Default.aspx http://edl.ecml.at/Teachers/Teachingmaterials/tabid/3097/Default.aspx</p>
Surveys	2/3 periods	<p>Ask teachers in the school how many languages they can speak. Staff profiles: where is their favourite country in the world and why. Have they ever lived/ travelled/worked abroad? Do you have family who live abroad? Collate and present responses in the foreign language (bar graph; pie chart; poster).</p>



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Games	Any stage	Who wants to be a millionaire?; Pictionary in the foreign language; Guess who; Buzz in foreign language; Simon says in the foreign language
ICT challenges:	Any stage 1-3 periods	<p>Option 1: Give students a shopping online challenge and a list of foreign stores, such as Carrefour; Monoprix; Co-op, etc and get them to select a birthday present for 3 imaginary people, give the pupils a brief profile of each character and allocate a fixed budget.</p> <p>Option 2: Teacher checks the Carrefour website (or equivalent) in advance and makes up a set of challenges for the pupils to work out: e.g. How much are bananas per kilo this week? What is the special offer on toiletries for women?</p> <p>Option 3: Visit the McDonalds website and set a challenge:</p> <p>https://www.mcdonalds.fr/</p> <p>https://www.mcdonalds.de/</p> <p>https://www.mcdonalds.es/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compose your own happy meal and report back on the nutritional details of your meal <p>https://www.mcdonalds.fr/famille/offre-happy-meal/calculateur-nutritionnel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compose a quiz to encourage the young people to use their language to navigate round the website: (e.g. il y a combien de boissons chaudes?)
Virtual Tours:	Any stage 1 period	<p>Visit different cities around the world and see famous landmarks up close.</p> <p>Use Google Earth to find these landmarks and direct your way around famous cities. Viewing 'street view' will give you an idea of local people, height of monuments and distance between one area and another. Teachers could set different challenges – fastest person to stand virtually under the Eiffel Tower, travel from the Eiffel Tower to the Louvre Museum</p>



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Transport challenge	Any stage 1 period	Look at city transport across Europe, like the subway routes, and give pupils challenges to work out which line they should take to reach different destinations
Promoting Languages	2 periods	Use the SCILT website to promote all the different types of careers people pursue with languages. Pupils can make an attractive display from their findings to be featured in the Modern Languages corridor. http://www.scilt.org.uk/Business/tabid/1297/Default.aspx

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If you use any of these ideas in your EDL celebrations we would love to hear what you think of them! Email any feedback to scilt@strath.ac.uk.

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<http://edl2013.blogspot.co.uk/>;

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