

## Welcome to the Future of Language Programs in Schools

### Why learn a foreign language?

The benefits of learning a language are significant.

Learning a language improves the neuroplasticity of the brain, it can quite literally make you smarter. The promotion of cognitive development, enhanced memory and critical thinking skills can set young Australians up to succeed. Learning another language is also proven to improve performance in other academic areas, and will even improve an individuals' awareness of their first language.

All of those benefits are significant without even taking into consideration the value students receive by being exposed to another culture. In a world deeply affected by COVID-19, our lives have become more insular making the need to develop Global Citizens more important than ever. Exposure to another language and culture is vital in equipping young Australians with the knowledge, skills and values to thrive in a globalised world.

### How it works

We recognise that you were never expecting to be supporting a Spanish language program. Especially considering that you probably don't even know how to say hello in Spanish! Relax. Everything that you're feeling is perfectly normal AND the good news is...we've got you.

Our program is designed specifically to be supported by classroom teachers who have had no exposure to the language. We make this work by ensuring that you have a great relationship with your facilitator in Colombia and you will have constant support from our team here in Australia.

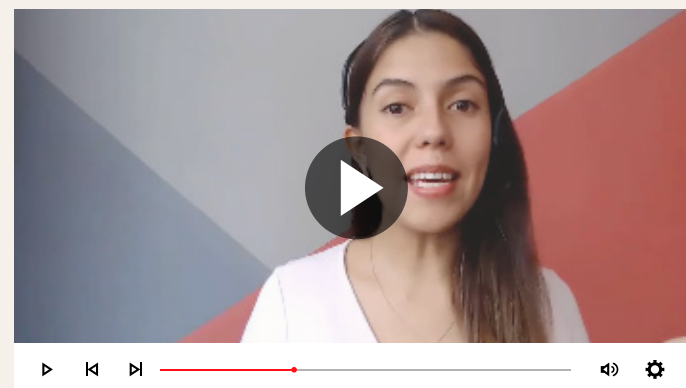
We provide a complete curriculum and even handle assessment. All we ask of you is that you support the behavioural management of your class, and open yourself up to the adventure! This isn't just an opportunity for your students, we've had classroom teachers change the course of their careers since being exposed to language through our program. In time, we will also have opportunities for you to join us in South America on our professional learning programs.

### Professional development

In our commitment to nurturing the development of Global Citizens in line with your school's strategic plan, we provide you with free access to our [Going Global Initiative](#). You receive complimentary professional learning courses, to complete at your own pace to put the students you represent on a path to Going Global. Like you, we want the best for our students and we believe that encouraging them to be globally aware sets them up for a dynamic future.

## GOING GLOBAL

### Learn about Meg in 1 minute:



*"I can't believe we have completed a year and if anyone, even in my recent past had suggested I would be teaching Chinese one day I would have thought they were crazy. As it has turned out, I've enjoyed it tremendously. Right from the get-go, it has been an amazing experience to learn such an interesting language, nothing like English and about your diverse and rich culture. But, the most rewarding part for me has been working with your Chinese teachers. Zooming to China for each lesson, seeing where they live from their apartment window and viewing their family photos or videos. These experiences create a deep sense of cultural connection and stir a desire, in the not-too-distant future to travel, see it all for myself and meet them in person. What a wonderful day that would be. :)"*

- Elle France, Manning Primary School, Manning

**Your involvement with Meg will be the beginning of an exciting journey that you NEVER thought you would go on. We will be here to inspire and support you along every step of the way.**