

Curriculum Overview for Year One
2026 - 2027



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	Introduction Text Dragon's don't share Fiction Journey Gingerbread man Non-fiction Gingerbread man instructions Poetry Week	Fiction Warning story Jack and the beanstalk Non-fiction Biography/character description Biography of a giant	Fiction Defeating a monster George and the dragon Non-fiction Persuasion letter Persuasive letter to a dragon Invention Week	Fiction Journey story Whatever Next Easter Story	Fiction Wishing tale Magic Porridge Pot Non-fiction Recount Zog at school	Fiction Journey tale Farmer Duck Non-fiction Non-chronological report Farm animals Poetry Week
Maths	Number and Place Value Previous Reception experiences Number and place value - comparison of quantities and part whole relationships Addition and subtraction - 0 - 5	Geometry (shape) - recognise, compose, decompose and manipulate 2D and 3D shapes Place value - numbers 0 - 10	Addition and subtraction - numbers 0 - 10 composition of numbers Addition and subtraction - additive structures	Number facts - addition and subtraction facts within 10 Number and place value - numbers 0 - 20	Number facts - unitising and coin recognition Number and Place Value Counting within 100	Number and Place Value Counting within 100 Position and direction Time

Science	Seasonal changes	Lights and Shadows	Everyday Materials	Pushes and Pulls	Animals including humans	Plants
History Famous people and significant events	Chronology and Timelines Great Fire of London Nelson Mandela	Nelson Mandela Henry V111 Queen Victoria 1	Neil Armstrong Martin Luther King	Martin Luther King Elizabeth 1	Captain Cook	George Stephenson Florence Nightingale Field trip
Geography Investigate place and patterns and communicate geographically	Local study (2 weeks) London, UK	Cape Town, South Africa York, UK	The Lake District, UK Antarctica	Edinburgh, UK	Sydney, Oceania Wylam, UK	Wylam, UK Field trip
Computing	Online-safety I am kind and responsible Improving Mouse Skills	Online-safety I am kind and responsible Algorithms unplugged	Online-safety I am safe Safer Internet Day Rocket to the Moon	Online-safety I am safe Programming Beebot/Doc robot	Online-safety I am healthy Digital Imagery	Online-safety I am healthy Introduction to Data
PE	Fundamentals Team Building	Dance Yoga	Gymnastics Ball skills	Target Games Net and wall Games	Athletics Invasion Games	Sending and receiving Striking and Fielding Games
R&W	Multiple religions How did the world begin?	Multiple religions What do some people believe God looks like?	Multiple religions Why should we care for the world?	Multiple religions Why should we care for others?	Multiple religions How do we know that new babies are special?	Multiple religions Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?

PSHE	Jigsaw theme: Being me in my world	Jigsaw theme: Celebrating difference	Jigsaw theme: Dreams and Goals	Jigsaw theme: Healthy Me	Jigsaw theme: Relationships	Jigsaw theme: Changing me
Art		Master technique - Painting Link artist - Beatrix Potter	Master technique - Sculpture Link artist - Christopher Wren		Master technique - Printing Link artist - Aboriginal art	
DT	Design a traditional tale moving picture for Nursery. Practical skill covered: - Mechanisms			To design a recycled toy rocket for a friend. Practical skills covered: - Construction - Materials		To design a fruit smoothie to celebrate the coronation. Practical skill covered: - Food
French	Under the sea	The Circus	In the jungle	Mini beasts	In my Town	Teddy Bears Picnic
Music	Use voices creatively and expressively- singing songs	Use voices creatively and expressively- chants and rhymes	Listening to high quality live and recorded music.	Play un-tuned percussion instruments - composition	Play tuned instruments Xylophones - musical composition	Play un-tuned percussion instruments Samba
Take One Book (Guided Reading)	Good Little Wolf by Nadia Shareen	Pattan's Pumpkin by Chitra Soundar	The Marvellous Moon Map by Teresa Heapy	The Castle the King Built by Rebecca Colby	How to Find Gold by Viviane Shwarz	Planet Awesome! by Stacey McAnulty
Whole school music genre	African Jazz and Ragtime Big Band and Swing Soul Blues and 1940' R n B	Classical - Orchestral Music during World War 1 and 2 Wind or Brass band Scottish folk/Scottish dance	Charleston/Lindy Hop/Jive March Flamenco/Greek dance Tango/Salsa/rumba	Welsh Choral Music A cappella and Barbershop Irish Folk or Irish Dance Opera	English folk/country dancing music Musical Film music Rock	Pop Funk Disco Rap/Hip Hop/Chant Indie Contemporary R 'n' B

	Calypso and Reggae Rock and roll Asian Music	String Quartet (Christmas) Christmas - pop/film/TV Christmas - choral	Country Ballad and Waltz Music from around the world	Jewish music Gospel/Spiritual music		21 st Century pupil and teacher choice
Whole school singing focus	When it's a Sunny Day Cauliflowers Fluffy/Paintbox Big, Red Combine Harvester What you Sow.	Everywhere Around Me Song of Blessing Calypso Carol It was on a Starry Night	This Little Light of Mine My Lighthouse - by Rend Collective Waka Waka - Africa Blaydon Races (Verses 1 and 2)	What Goes in, Must Come Out Days of the Months Hosanna	Parts of a Body This is Me	One More Step along the World I Go. The Climb Don't Stop Me Now Shine
School events	Open the book assembly Gateshead Music Workshop	Inter Faith Week Open the book assembly Children in Need Enrichment Week Godly play	Open the book assembly Multi-skills festival	Open the book assembly Gateshead Music workshop Enrichment Week Year 1 Class Assembly Godly play World Book Day	Open the book assembly	Open the book assembly Enrichment Week Year 6 performance Godly play