

Curriculum Overview for Year Two
2026-27



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	Journey Tale- Traction Man Poetry Week 'This is Me' Acrostics Poetry Instructions- How to Catch a Dragon	Wishing Tale- The Magic Paintbrush Recount/ Diary- Edgar the Dragon Poetry Week	Rags to Riches- Dick Whittington Non-Chronological Report- The Newcastle Ridgeback	World Book Day Warning Tale- Kassim and the Greedy Dragon RE based English around Easter and Spring.	Defeating the monster Tale- Paper Bag Princess Consolidation of Key Stage 1 skills	Journey Tale- Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch Poetry Week Formal letter of thanks to the staff at the Baltic Letter to the next year group
Guided Reading	Pip and Egg by Alex Latimer		Lots: The Diversity of Life on Earth by Nicola Davies		Lila and the Secret of Rain by David Conway**	
Poetry	Paul Cookson	AA Milne	Joseph Coelho	Dr Seuss	Julia Donaldson	Michael Rosen
Oracy	Using non-verbal signals confidently to indicate the contribution they wish to make. Agree, disagree or build. Choose the most appropriate stem independently.	Justify their agree/disagree choice with relevant explanations. Use technical, subject-specific vocabulary when explaining opinions.	Begin to understand the importance of posture when speaking. Use taught vocabulary independently, even if not always accurately.	Moderate tone and volume to match the audience. Retell an event calmly in logical order e.g. on the playground.	Maintain suitable posture throughout a spoken contribution. With support, identify a suitable question in response to a stimulus. Be able to change their mind in response to	Be aware of where to look or stand to ensure the audience can hear clearly. Take on the instigator role in a trio discussion. Include taught vocabulary appropriately and independently in discussions.

					another person's argument. E.g. the opinion continuum.	
Maths	Number 10-100 Calculations within 20	Fluently add and subtract within 10 Addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers Introduction to multiplication	Introduction to multiplication Introduction to division structures	Shape Addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers Money	Fractions Time Position and Direction	Multiplication and division- doubling, halving, quotative and partitive division Sense of measure- capacity, volume and mass
Science	Use of Everyday Materials	Use of Everyday Materials	Living things and their habitats	Animals including Humans	Building Circuits	Plants
History Famous people and significant events:	Historical events in their locality (local study) - William Armstrong Significant events in the past - The Sinking of the Titanic Significant events in the past - The Gunpowder Plot	Significant events in the past - Armistice Day (links to World War 1 in KS2) Significant people who have shaped history - Winston Churchill (links to World War 11 in KS2)	Significant people who have shaped history, particularly black history - Barack Obama Significant people who have shaped history, particularly black history - Rosa Parks	Significant people in living memory - Sir David Attenborough Significant people in living memory - Queen Elizabeth II Significant people in living memory - King Charles' III Coronation	Significant people, exploration - Sir Francis Drake	Significant events in the past -The first aeroplane flight- The Wright Brothers Significant people who have shaped history - Emmeline Pankhurst

Geography Investigate places and patterns and communicate geographically:	Belfast Paris	Ypres (Remembrance Day) Egypt (Cairo)	Honolulu, Hawaii Amazon Rainforest	Newcastle (Local study-fieldwork)	Cardiff New York	North East Coast-Tynemouth
Computing	Online Safety What is a computer?	Online Safety Algorithms and Debugging	Online Safety Word Processing	Online Safety Introduction to Block Coding <i>ScratchJr</i>	Online Safety Stop Motion	Online Safety International Space Station
PE	Team Building Fundamentals	Dance Yoga	Gymnastics Ball Skills	Net and Wall Games Target Games	Athletics Invasion Games	Sending and Receiving Striking and Fielding Games
Religion and World Views (R&W)	Why do we need to give thanks?		What is a prophet?		How do some people talk to God? Where do some people talk to God?	
PSHE	Being Me in my World	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me

Art	Master Techniques: Drawing Artist: Brian Pollard			Master Techniques: Painting Artist: Colleen Wilcox		Master Techniques: Collage Artist: Eric Carle
DT		Mechanisms: Christmas vehicle	Food Technology: Healthy Wrap		Textiles: Sewing - Pouches	
Music	Pitch and tempo Play tuned percussion instruments - Xylophones Superheroes -composition Kapow 1	Learn and Perform Christmas Class Assembly	Play un-tuned percussion instruments - *composition	Uses voices creatively and expressively - African call and response song Kapow 2	Vocal and body sounds - use voices creatively and expressively	Musical Me Learn to sing and play a song Listening to high quality live and recorded music.
MFL	Greetings	Colours and Numbers	Under the Sea	Minibeasts	In my Town	Superheroes
Whole school music genre	African Jazz and Ragtime Big Band and Swing Soul Blues and 1940' R n B Calypso and Reggae Rock and roll Asian	Classical - Orchestral Music during World War 1 and 2 Wind or Brass band Scottish folk/Scottish dance String Quartet (Christmas) Christmas - pop/film/TV Christmas - choral	Charleston/Lindy Hop/Jive March Flamenco/Greek dance Tango/Salsa/rumba Music from around the world Ballad and Waltz	Welsh Choral Music A cappella and Barbershop Irish Folk or Irish Dance Jewish music Gospel/Spiritual music	Musical English folk/country dancing music Country Film music Opera Rap/Hip Hop /Chant Rock	Pop Funk Disco Indie Contemporary R 'n' B 21 st Century pupil and teacher choice

Whole school singing focus	When it's a Sunny Day Caulifowers 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 Blaydon Races- Verses 1 and 2	What Goes in, Must Come Out Hosanna Waka, Waka- Africa	Parts of a Body Days of the Months Do Re Mi -Sound of Music 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 Prayer space Christmas plays Enrichment Week Godly play	Open the book assembly Multi-skills festival Adam Bushnell Gateshead Music workshop	Open the book assembly Enrichment Week Year 1 Class Assembly Godly play World Book Day Prayer Space	Open the book assembly	Open the book assembly Enrichment Week Year 6 performance Godly play
Visits / Enrichment	Open the book assembly Gateshead Music Workshop Indoor Athletics Festival	Inter Faith Week Open the book assembly Children in Need Enrichment Week Godly play Year 2 Christmas Play Library visit-Crawcrook	Open the book assembly Gateshead Music Workshop	Open the book assembly Gateshead Music workshop Enrichment Week Godly play World Book Day Library visit-Crawcrook	Open the book assembly Gateshead Music Workshop Visit to Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha - R&W	Open the book assembly Enrichment Week Year 6 performance Godly play Sports Day Library visit-Crawcrook Field trip- Newcastle (Angel of the North and the Baltic)