



Year 2 Curriculum Overview

2025-2026

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Phonics	Rocket Phonics	Rocket Phonics	Rocket Phonics	Rocket Phonics	Rocket Phonics	Rocket Phonics
Reading – Key Texts	Castles by Stephanie Turnbull Good Knight Sleep Tight by David Melling The Life of a Little Cardboard Box and The Life of a Little Plastic Bottle by Igloo Books.	Jonty Gentoo – Julia Donaldson The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsberg The Christmas Pine by Julia Donaldson	History Heroes Queen Victoria by Damian Harvey	The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry The Easter Story	The Oak Tree by Julia Donaldson	The Last Tree by Emily Harworth-Booth
Writing - Key Texts	A Zebra Question by Shel Silverstein Ten Things Found in a Shipwrecked Sailor's Pocket by Ian McMillan A Menagerie of Animals by A.F. Harrold Look Up! By Nathan Bryon	The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson	Grandad's Camper by Harry Woodgate	My Name is Not Refugee by Kate Milner	The Last Wolf by Mini Grey	Grandad's Secret Giant by David Litchfield
Writing – end of unit outcomes	Poetry Recount: Diary entry	Non-fiction: Non-chronological report	Fiction: A story using own ideas for characters and locations	Recount: Recount events from a character's point of view	Letter: A letter in role as a character with persuasion	Fiction: A story with a moral focus
Mathematics	Year 2 follow the White Rose mathematics scheme of work and Mastering Number.					
Science	Everyday uses of materials	Everyday uses of materials	Animals Including humans	Animals Including humans	Living things and their habitats	Plants
History	Castles: A home or a Fortress?		Queen Victoria: A witness to important inventions. True or false?		Robin Hood: Why is Robin Hood important to Nottinghamshire?	

Geography		Cold places: including oceans and continents. How is the North Pole different to the South Pole?		Hot places: including oceans and continents. How does life in tropical places compare to life in the United Kingdom?		Comparing Mansfield to Mumbai. How do we live in global harmony?
The Arts (Art / Design Tech)	Access Art – Drawing & Sketchbooks <i>Explore and Draw</i>	Textiles – stockings	Access Art - Working in Three Dimensions <i>Be an Architect</i>	Bagel bruschetta	Access Art –Surface & Colour <i>Expressive painting</i>	Vehicles – carts
Computing	Computing systems and networks - Information technology around us	Creating media - Digital photography	Programming A - Robot algorithms	Data and information - Pictograms	Creating media - Digital music	Programming B - Programming quizzes
Music	Hands, Feet, Heart	Nativity	I Wanna Play in a Band	Zootime	Friendship Song	Reflect, Rewind, Replay
Physical Education	Fundamentals	Gymnastics	Dance	Invasion Games	Athletics	Ball skills
RSHE	Why should I exercise? What if I don't like vegetables? Are medicines always good?	Can I stop myself being ill? What does angry feel like? How do I make you feel?	Is it right or wrong? How can I compromise? What are rights and responsibilities?	How do I contribute? How can I save the planet? Where could my money come from?	Do I know my body? What does private really mean? Who can I trust?	Should I keep a secret? Am I safe online? What should I aim for?
Religious Education	Judaism	Judaism The Christmas Story	Inspiring Others	Being a Christian in Notts The Easter Story	Stories Christian and Jewish	Stories Christian and Jewish