



Year 2 Curriculum Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	<p>In My Heart (Jo Wicket) - Explanations</p> <p>Beegu (Alexis Deacon) - Descriptive writing and recount</p> <p>Black History Month - Floella Benjamin</p> <p>Book Week</p>	<p>Little Red Reading Hood (Lucy Rowland) - remix of a traditional tale</p>	<p>The Great Fire of London (Anniversary edition) - Newspaper Articles</p> <p>Plants - information text - non-fiction favourite flower - links to science</p> <p>Internet Safety week - When Charlie McButton Lost Power (Suzanne Collins and Mike Lester) - Emotive language and diary writing.</p>	<p>Diversity week - The Paper Bag Princess</p> <p>Derby Book Festival for three weeks - different books get chosen each year</p> <p>Letters to the Mosque</p>	<p>The Day the Crayons Quit (Drew Daywalt) - Persuasive Letter Writing and letter of complaint</p> <p>A Cloudy Lesson Diary entry, narrative, instructions and information poster</p>	<p>Cottonwool Colin (Jeanne Willis) Narrative, story summary and inventing a new story</p>
Maths	White Rose Education					
Home Learning	White Rose Education, My Maths or Oak Academy.					
Science	Habitats	Microhabitats	Plants	Life Cycles and health	Uses of everyday materials	Marie Curie and Materials - experiments



Home Learning	https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/science-primary-ks1/units/living-things-and-where-they-live/lessons?sid-732bfd=dukKm9Qubf&sm=0&src=3	https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/science-primary-ks1/units/living-things-and-where-they-live/lessons?sid-732bfd=dukKm9Qubf&sm=0&src=3	https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/science-primary-ks1/units/growing-plants/lessons	https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/science-primary-ks1/units/new-life/lessons?sid-d3b931=YSeIGuYZlg&sm=0&src=3	https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/science-primary-ks1/units/uses-of-everyday-materials/lessons	https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/science-primary-ks1/units/everyday-materials/lessons?sid-cd0333=L0KMf5zg1e&sm=0&src=3
Computing	Online Safety and Computing systems and networks 1: What is a computer?	Online Safety and Programming 1: Algorithms and debugging	Online Safety and Computing systems and networks 2: Word processing	Online Safety and Programming 2: ScratchJr	Programming 2: MakeCode	Creating media: Stop motion
Home Learning	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zymykqt/articles/z9myvcw	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3tbwmn/articles/z3whpv4	Typing Skills	https://studio.code.org/courses/pre-express-2025/units/1?viewAs=Instructor	https://code.org/en-US/tools/sprite-lab	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zbhqjxs/articles/zskthyc
History	How did we learn to fly?		The Great Fire of London		What is a monarch?	



Home Learning	<p>How have people's lives changed in living memory?</p> <p>https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/history-primary-ks1/units/significant-individuals-who-changed-britain-how-did-they-fight-for-change/lessons/paul-stephenson-and-the-bristol-bus-boycott?sid-c1fac5=IGbVeBnRQ3&sm=0&src=4#lesson-details</p>		<p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zy36g2p/articles/z4msn9q</p>		<p>Who was Queen Elizabeth I?</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkrkscw/articles/zkh7bdm</p> <p>Who was Queen Victoria?</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zkrkscw/articles/zfdkhhbk</p>	
Geography		<p>Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place?</p>		<p>Why is our world wonderful?</p>		<p>What is it like to live by the coast?</p>



Home Learning		https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/geography-primary-ks1/units/cold-places-what-is-it-like-at-the-north-and-south-poles/lessons		https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zw7gsk7		https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/geography-primary-ks1/units/oceans-and-seas-a546/lessons
Design & Technology		Cooking and nutrition: Balanced diet		Structures: Baby Bear's chair		Textiles: Pouches
Home Learning		https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/cooking-nutrition-primary-year-2/units/the-eatwell-guide-healthy-eating/lessons		https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/design-technology-primary-year-2/units/freestanding-structures-playgrounds/lessons		https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/design-technology-primary-ks1-1/units/textiles-templates-and-joining-techniques-50ab/lessons
Art & Design	Drawing: Understanding tone and texture		Painting and mixed media: Life in colour		Sculpture and 3D: Clay Houses	



Home Learning	https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/art-primary-ks1/units/our-spaces-drawing-and-printing/lessons?sid-2a3aba=y84Nv54FAN&sm=0&src=3		https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/art-primary-ks1/units/frank-bowling-map-paintings/lessons?sid-3de734=DmVsT4w5Sp&sm=0&src=3		<p>Find a natural object in your garden (e.g. leaf, twigs, feather) and draw it.</p> <p>https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/art-primary-ks1/units/myself-and-others-clay-sculpture/lessons?sid-Obf4dc=DeWbWNhIO&sm=0&src=3</p>	
Music	Hands, Feet, Heart	Christmas Songs	I Wanna Play	Zootime	Sarah Watts Ready, Steady, Recorder!	Sarah Watts Ready, Steady, Recorder!
Home Learning	https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/pulse-and-metre-eeae Pulse & Metre	https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/tempo-dynamics-timbre-35a0 Tempo, Dynamics & Timbre	https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/rhythm-bedc Rhythm	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/music-primary-year-2/units/music-and-movement-using-symbols-to-represent-pitch/lessons Pitch	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/music-primary-year-2/units/tempo-dynamics-timbre-35a0/lessons Timbre	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/music-primary-year-2/units/musical-processes-d4b4/lessons
PE	Gymnastics	Fitness is Fun	Dance	Cricket	Festival of Dance/Invasion Games	Athletics
Home Learning	Cosmic Yoga	Joe Wicks	Animal Moves - Lesson Video click HERE	Target Treasure - Lesson Video click HERE	DCCT - Athletics	DCCT - Fundamentals



			Move to the Beat - Lesson Video click HERE Move to the beat extravaganza - Lesson Video click HERE Space Adventure - Lesson Video click HERE	In the Box - Lesson Video click HERE Three in a row - Lesson Video click HERE Climb the ladder - Lesson Video click HERE		
	Other resources you can use: Super movers - https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers Super Movers Times Table Collection - https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/times-table-collection/z4vv6v4 Oti Mabuse - https://www.youtube.com/c/OtiMabuseOfficial/videos Joe Wicks - https://www.youtube.com/c/TeBodyCoachTV/playlists Cosmic Yoga - https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga Just Dance - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOVlhde7N5uGDIFXXWWEbFQ/videos Little Sports - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTIwFB4ciFi5ZCIu-VlwaOg					
RE	Who is Muslim and what do they believe?	How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times?	Who is a Christian and what do they believe?	Who is a Sikh and how do they live?	What can we learn from sacred books?	
Home Learning	https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/islam-f461	https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/the-nativity-c64a	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/religious-education-primary-year-2/units/festivals-how-do-they-celebrate-the-natural-world/lessons			
PSED	Exploring emotions	Being Healthy	Relationships	Difference & Diversity/ Changes	Being Responsible	Bullying Matters/ Being Safe



Home Learning	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-2/units/emotions-what-helps-me-to-be-happy/lessons	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-2/units/physical-health-how-do-i-eat-a-balanced-diet/lessons	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-2/units/healthy-relationships-what-does-a-family-look-like/lessons	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-2/units/media-influence-is-everything-i-see-online-true/lessons	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-2/units/staying-safe-and-healthy-how-can-i-keep-clean/lessons	https://www.thenational.academy/pupils/programmes/rshe-pshe-primary-year-2/units/our-online-lives-who-should-i-talk-to-online/lessons
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Personal Development	<p style="text-align: center;">Assemblies - SMSC/FBV</p> <p>Protected characteristics taught through In My Heart - celebrate diversity, understand that everyone regardless of background, experience emotions in similar ways. Age - emotions depend on age and experiences. Gender - the book does not specify a gender of the main character - explore how emotions are experienced by everyone. Race - featuring a diverse appearance.</p> <p>Protected characteristics taught through Beegu. Age - trying to fit in as a young child. Disability - Beegu isn't disabled but the story's theme of being different fits in and how people with disabilities may experience feelings of isolation and be</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Assemblies - SMSC/FBV</p> <p>Protected characteristics taught through Little Red Riding Hood - Age - young child facing challenges and making decisions. Gender - could change gender and discuss other qualities.</p> <p>Church visit and Nativity</p> <p>Perform on stage - Christmas Nativity</p> <p>Make wraps to eat in DT</p> <p>Springwood Walk</p> <p>Protected Characteristics - Religion - Who is a Muslim? Workshop delivered in school by The Open Centre</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Assemblies - SMSC/FBV</p> <p>Protected characteristics taught in The Great Fire of London</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Age - how people of all ages were affected - children and the elderly and their different experiences. - <p>Grow plants in science.</p> <p>Protected Characteristics - Age, Gender Reassignment Being Married, Disability, Race, Religion and Sex - PSHE Relationships Cycle 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Assemblies - SMSC/FBV</p> <p>Protected Characteristic - Gender roles, Being Married, Sex - stereotypes of a man /woman taught through Diversity week - 'The Paper Bag Princess'.</p> <p>Perform on stage - Festival of Dance</p> <p>Animal Man - linked to science</p> <p>Protected Characteristics - Religion - Celebrate a different culture - RE and visit to the Mosque.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Assemblies - SMSC/FBV</p> <p>Protected characteristics taught through The Day The Crayons Quit - age - some crayons undervalued and overlooked just as some age groups may feel this. Disability - some crayons may feel overused and exhausted as some people may if they have a disability or additional needs. Also, include religion, race and ethnicity - celebrate differences</p> <p>Say 'Hello' in a different language.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Assemblies - SMSC/FBV</p> <p>Protected characteristics taught through Cottonwool Colin - Disability as Colin looks different. Age - Colin is treated like he can't do anything and perceived as 'delicate'.</p> <p>Raise money - Business Enterprise week linked to maths and art.</p> <p>Visit a zoo - Twycross.</p> <p>Protected Characteristic - Race - 'My Hair' used in guided reading.</p>
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	<p>excluded. Gender is not assigned for the character - be kind to all. Race and ethnicity - Beegu's appearance is different - but everyone should be treated with kindness and respect. Embrace differences and practice kindness and empathy to all.</p> <p>Black History Month - Floella Benjamin Protected Characteristics - Race</p> <p>Fire Safety visitor</p> <p>Visit a Mosque</p>					
Assessment		PIRA, PUMA, Writing, and MIPs		PIRA, PUMA, Writing, and MIPs		PIRA, PUMA, Writing and MIP