St Patrick and St Edmund's Year 2 Overview 2026–2027

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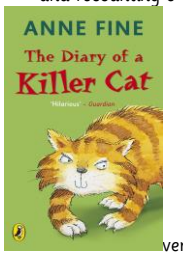
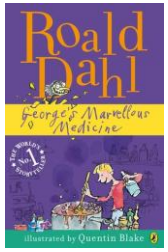
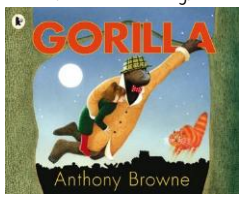
Building the Kingdom – Catholic Social Teaching	**Human Dignity** *Sept – New Beginnings* "For I know the plans I have for you…" Jeremiah 29:11 **Solidarity** *Oct – Faith & Mission (Mission Month)* "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations." Matthew 28:19	**Preferential Option for the Poor** *Nov – Remembrance & Eternal Hope* "I am the resurrection and the life." John 11:25 **Common Good** *Dec – Advent & Christmas* "The light shines in the darkness…" John 1:5	**Participation** *Jan – Wisdom & New Year* "Teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart." Psalm 90:12 **Common Good** *Feb – Love & Compassion* "Let all that you do be done in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14	**Common Good** *Feb – Love & Compassion* "Create in me a clean heart, O God." Psalm 51:10 **Dignity of Work** *March – Lent* "The Mighty One has done great things for me…" Luke 1:49	**Solidarity** *April – Eastertide* "I am the resurrection and the life." John 11:25 **Care for Creation** *May – Mary & Trust* "Serve one another humbly in love." Galatians 5:13	**Common Good** *June – Service & Community* "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good." Psalm 107:1 **Care for Creation – Stewardship** *July – Growth & Gratitude* "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good." Psalm 107:1
Monthly Prayer Focus	Sept: Our Lady of Sorrows Oct: The Holy Rosary	Nov: The Holy Souls (All Souls) Dec: The Immaculate Conception / Advent	Jan: The Holy Name of Jesus Feb: The Holy Family	Feb: The Holy Family March: St Joseph	April: The Holy Eucharist May: Our Lady	June: The Sacred Heart of Jesus July: The Precious Blood of Jesus
Core texts	Kassim and the Dragon 	Squeaky Creaky school	The Diary of a Killer cat Anne Fine (1st person feelings, thoughts and recounting e vents)	George 's Marvellous medicine Roald Dahl (instructions) 	Gorilla Antony Browne (Adventure story) 	The Owl who was afraid of the Dark Jill Tomlinson (non-chronological report)

Literacy	Children will build fluency and confidence in reading through Little Wandle reading practice sessions, revisiting phonics and spelling patterns where needed. Writing will focus on sentence construction, punctuation, and creating simple narratives and recounts. Pupils will develop spoken language through discussion, role play, and sharing ideas.	Children will read a range of stories, poems, and non-fiction texts, developing comprehension skills such as prediction and retrieval. Writing outcomes will include descriptions, instructions, and story writing using expanded noun phrases, conjunctions, and accurate punctuation.	Pupils will strengthen reading fluency and understanding through Little Wandle and whole-class reading. Writing will focus on narratives and information texts, applying grammar skills including past and present tense, apostrophes, and sentence variety.	Children will explore traditional tales, poetry, and non-fiction texts. They will develop their ability to plan, draft, edit, and improve writing while extending vocabulary choices and applying spelling rules .	Reading sessions will continue to develop fluency, expression, and comprehension. Writing will include longer narratives, recounts, and persuasive pieces, with a focus on organising ideas, using different sentence types, and maintaining accuracy in punctuation and spelling.	Children will consolidate Year 2 literacy skills through a wide range of reading and writing opportunities. They will demonstrate independence in planning, composing, and editing texts while developing confidence as fluent readers and effective communicators, preparing for transition into Key Stage 2.
Maths	**Place Value** develop understanding of numbers to 100, counting, comparing, ordering and partitioning numbers. explore number patterns and use place value knowledge to solve problems and explain their reasoning.	**addition and Subtraction** build confidence in adding and subtracting two-digit numbers using practical resources and written methods. They will apply these skills to a range of problem-solving and reasoning activities.	**Money and Multiplication & Division** recognise and calculate with coins and notes, finding totals and giving change. learn multiplication and division facts, making equal groups, arrays and exploring repeated addition.	**Length and Height, Mass, Capacity and Temperature** measure, compare and solve problems involving length, height, mass, capacity and temperature using standard units. apply mathematical skills in practical and real-life contexts.	**Fractions and Time** recognise, find and write fractions including ½, ¼, ⅓ and ¾ of shapes and quantities. tell and write the time to five minutes and solve problems involving time.	**Statistics and Position & Direction** Children will interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts and block diagrams. They will describe movement and position using mathematical language and consolidate key Year 2 mathematical concepts through problem-solving and reasoning activities.
R.E.	**Branch 1:** **Creation and Covenant** God as the Creator all people are made in God's image. reflect on the goodness of creation, responsibility to care for the world, and how God's covenant shows His love for His people	**Branch 2:** **Prophecy and Promise** God's promises throughout salvation history the role of the prophets. explore Mary's 'yes' to God, Advent season, how Jesus fulfils God's promise of a Saviour.	**Branch 3:** **Galilee to Jerusalem** encounter Jesus through Gospel stories, exploring His teachings, miracles and parables. learn how Jesus showed love, forgiveness and service, and consider how they can follow His example in their own lives.	**Branch 4:** **Desert to Garden** Lent, Holy Week and Easter, learning about Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection. reflect on forgiveness, sacrifice, hope and the new life offered through the Resurrection	**Branch 5:** **To the Ends of the Earth** explore the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and learn how the disciples spread the Good News. understand that Christians are called to be witnesses to Jesus through their words and actions.	**Branch 6:** **Dialogue and Encounter** develop an understanding of other faiths and worldviews while deepening their Catholic faith. learn the importance of respect, welcome and recognising the dignity of all people as members of God's family

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Key Liturgical dates	**8th** September – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary **15th** September – Our Lady of Sorrows **1st** October – St Thérèse of Lisieux **4th** October – St Francis of Assisi **7th** October – Our Lady of the Rosary **18th** October – World Mission Sunday	**1st** November – All Saints (Holy Day of Obligation) **2nd** November – All Souls Centre feast day) **22nd** November – Christ the King **29th** November – First Sunday of Advent **8th** December – Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) **25th** December – Christmas Day	3rd January – Epiphany 10th January – Baptism of the Lord 2nd February – Presentation of the Lord 10th February – Ash Wednesday 11th February – World Day of the Sick (OLOL)	1st March – St David 17th March – St Patrick 19th March – St Joseph 21st March – Palm Sunday 25th–27th March – Easter Triduum 28th March – Easter Sunday	5th April – The Annunciation of the Lord (moved from 25th March) 23rd April – St George 9th May – Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) 16th May – Pentecost 19th May – St Dunstan's Feast Day 31st May – The Visitation (Mary visits Elizabeth)	**4th** June – Most Sacred Heart of Jesus **24th** June – Birth of St John the Baptist **29th** June – St Peter and St Paul (Holy Day of Obligation) **1st** July – The Precious Blood of Jesus
RSHE	**Created and Loved by God** Uniqueness and value as an individual, respect	**Personal Relationships** friendship, kindness, respect, skills for resolving disagreements, showing empathy and understanding the impact of their actions on others.	Keeping Safe how to stay safe in different situations, including online safety, road safety and recognising trusted adults who can help them. They will develop strategies for managing risks and making safe choices.	Living in the Wider World explore the role within their family, school, parish and wider community. learn about responsibility, caring for others and living out Gospel values in everyday life.	Created to Love Others develop an age-appropriate understanding of family life and relationships learn about the importance of love, commitment, and the different ways families care for one another.	**Growing and Changing** explore how people grow and change throughout life. learn about healthy lifestyles, personal responsibility, and how God accompanies them as they continue to grow physically, emotionally and spiritually.
Science	**Animals Including Humans** learn about the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival. explore healthy eating, exercise, hygiene and the importance of a balanced lifestyle for maintaining good health.	**Uses of Everyday Materials** investigate the properties of a variety of materials and consider why certain materials are suitable for particular purposes. carry out simple tests and compare how materials can be changed.	Living Things and Their Habitats explore a range of habitats and discover how plants and animals depend on each other for survival. investigate food chains and identify how living things are suited to their environments.	Plants observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. explore what plants need to stay healthy investigate the conditions necessary for growth.	Animals Including Humans (Growth and Life Cycles) learn about life cycles, growth and survival. compare the offspring of different animals and understand how living things change as they grow.	**Working Scientifically and Seasonal Change** apply their scientific knowledge through investigations, observations and problem-solving activities. revisit seasonal changes, patterns in weather and how living things respond to changes throughout the year.
Geography	Explore weather and climate in the United Kingdom and around the world.			Compare and contrast a small area of the United Kingdom with that of a non-European country Birmingham/Lagos, Nigeria		Investigate the world's continents and oceans

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History		Remembrance Events beyond living memory	. Florence Nightingale Mary Seacole		King's Coronation and the Royal Family	
P.E.	Fundamental Movement Skills and Team games, Gymnastics Dance, Ball skills, Athletics and Sports day					
Computing	Computing Systems and Digital Skills, Digital creativity, coding and programming, data and information, online safety digital citizenship, Multimedia and Project-Based Learning					
Art	Drawing: Observational Skills	Painting and Colour	Sculpture and 3D	Printing and pattern	Textiles and collage	Artist Study and Creative Projects
DT	Mechanisms: Wheels and Axles	Textiles	Structures	Food and Nutrition	Sliders and levers	Design challenge
Music **Junior Jam**	Pulse and Rhythm, Singing and Performance, Composition and creativity, Listen, appraise, perform and celebrate Singing / hymn practice					
Other key dates	**21st** September – International Day of Peace October – Black History Month **10th** October – World Mental Health Day **9th**–13th November – Anti-Bullying Week **11th** November – Remembrance Day **3rd** December – International Day of Persons with Disabilities **10th** December – Human Rights Day		**27th** January – Holocaust Memorial Day **1st**–7th February – Children's Mental Health Week **9th** February – Safer Internet Day **20th** February – World Day of Social Justice **4th** March – World Book Day **5th** March – Women's World Day of Prayer **8th** March – International Women's Day **21st** March – World Down Syndrome Day **22nd** March – World Water Day		**22nd** April – Earth Day **10th**–16th May – Mental Health Awareness Week **14th**–20th June – Refugee Week **20th** June – World Refugee Day **18th** July – Nelson Mandela Day	