



North East Festival of Languages

8 January to 31 March 2025



KEY STAGE 1 & 2 (3-11 YEARS)

FREE creative multilingual activities (Jan-March)
FREE pre-recorded and online activities (Jan-March)
FREE world languages and cultures events (March)
FREE classroom resources
Language competitions & celebrations



[Festival programme for Key Stages 1 and 2 \(3-11 years\) – Express Yourself](#)



North East Festival of Languages

8 January to 31 March 2025



Places still available for in-person languages and cultures events in March

- [Spanish Day for teachers with the Spanish Embassy](#) 8th March at Newcastle University
- KS1-2 [Primary school games and stories at Multilingual Library, Gateshead](#) flexible bookings in March
- KS2-3 [Language treasures at Great North Museum](#) workshops at 10-2 on 20th (Y3-7) and 24th (Y6-9) or teacher led 1-31st March
- Families/schools [Arabic language learning with team games](#) 10.30-12.30 on 22 March
- Y5-6 [Welcome to Germany and the German speaking world](#) 9.30-12 or 12.30-3pm on 27th March at Durham University (No prior knowledge of German required)
- KS2+ [Bangla Day \(Sunderland\) Bangladeshi culture and heritage](#) 11-1.30 or 2-4.30pm on 25th March
- **NEW:** 2 in-person workshops delivered in 2 Newcastle primary schools – Experience Japan with The Japan Society – contact Sarah Edgar if interested (first come, first served)

Special online events 3rd and 7th March (recording available if you register)

- KS2 [Primary German online sessions with Goethe Institut](#) 9.30-10.30am, 3rd & 7th March (No prior knowledge of German needed)



North East Festival of Languages

8 January to 31 March 2025



Creative Multilingual Projects Jan to March

(register for resources and teaching packs)

- KS2-5 [Sing, play and sign the Festival Song: What a Wonderful World](#) 6th Jan to 24th March (register by 14 Feb)
- KS2-5 [Mother Tongue Other Tongue – poetic writing project](#) 8th Jan to 24th March
- KS2-5 [Weaving Friendship – multilingual creative project](#) 8th January to 21st March
- KS2 [Language Calligrams Celebration and workshop activity](#) 8th January to 28th March (no registration required and teaching resources available on the webpage)



North East Festival of Languages

8 January to 31 March 2025



Pre-recorded workshop resources available January to March (register for workshop/activity links and teaching resources)

- KS2 [Yorùbá pre-recorded workshops: Language, Culture, Expression](#) Available now to 31 March
- EYFS KS1 KS2 [Puppet shows – have fun learning French! \(3 shows, different ages\)](#) Jan-31 March
- EYFS KS 1-2 [Lingotot pre-recorded activities for young learners \(3-11 years\)](#) Available to 31 Mar
- KS1-2 [Fun with Japanese interactive activities for children \(5-11 years\)](#) Available Jan-31 March
- KS2 [Multilingual digital stories made by and for children](#) Available Jan-31 March
- KS1-4 [Exploring and celebrating indigenous African languages \(5-16 years\)](#) Jan-Mar

Available anytime

- KS2 [ENACT Around the World Club package \(NE schools\)](#) available anytime
- Primary/middle [Around the world education packs for schools](#) (7 packs available anytime)

From February 2025 ENACT staff are offering to come to your school to help you set up a club in your school. This is fully funded by Newcastle University at no cost to schools. For further details email enacteuropa@newcastle.ac.uk



Around the world club

**FREE education package of
language and cultural activities
for North East Schools**



Newcastle
University

Search the programme by language for all Festival related activities, as well as additional support and resources from national cultural institutions
(click on the images)

French

Resources, events
and activities



Spanish

Resources, events
and activities



German

Resources, events
and activities



Arabic

Resources, events
and activities



Japanese

Resources, events
and activities



Chinese

Resources, events
and activities



International Mother Language Day



unesco

21st February



North East
Festival of Languages

[Click here](#) for Festival activities and resources that will support International Mother Language Day celebrations

Love Your Language Day Celebrate your Mother Language at Newcastle City Library

1-3pm, 24th February



[Click here](#) for details of special IMLD event at Newcastle City Library during half term



**North East
Festival of Languages**

8 January to 31 March 2025



Use Festival activities to support multilingualism, intercultural awareness and internationalism in your school and progress with:

[International School Award](#)



[Schools of Sanctuary](#)
[Newcastle Schools of Sanctuary](#)
Contact [Sarah Edgar](#)





**North East
Festival of Languages**

8 January to 31 March 2025



Keep up to date

Festival news page: <https://expressyourselfne.com/news/>

Social media channels: [X \(twitter\)](#) | [facebook](#) | [instagram](#)

Email Declan: info@expressyourselfne.com

**Share your stories and images of involvement in Festival activities
and we will promote these**

Please respond to feedback survey in April