English Curriculum Key Vocabulary

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
English Grammar: letter, capital letter,word, sentence, full stop, question mark	English Grammar: letter, capital letter, word, sentence, plural, singular, full stop, question mark, exclamation mark, punctuation	English Grammar: noun, noun phrase, statement, question, exclamation, command, compound, suffix, adjective, adverb, verb, tense (past present), apostrophe, comma	English Grammar: Preposition, conjunction, word family, prefix, clause, subordinate clause, direct speech, consonant, consonant letter vowel, vowel letter, inverted commas	English Grammar: Determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial
Genre specific vocab: Non-fiction: Poster, non fiction, information, instructions, letter, title Poetry: Descriptive, rhyming Narrative: Story writing, imagination, fiction	Genre specific vocab: Non Fiction: Bossy words, recount, first person, non-chronological report, postcard, greeting, captions, order Poetry: List poem, alliterative poem Narrative: Traditional tale, setting, characters, plot	Genre specific vocab: Non-fiction: Diary entry, pronouns, imperative verbs, persuasive letters, subheading, chronological order Poetry: Descriptive poem Narrative: Exclamatory sentence, introduction, build-up, problem, ending, paragraphs	Genre specific vocab: Non- fiction: information leaflet, newspaper report, explanation text, informal language, eye-witness, pun, for and against Poetry: Simile poem, simile conjunction poem Narrative: Fable	Genre specific vocab: Non- fiction: instruction guide, biography Poetry: Character poem, haiku poem, metaphor poem, Narrative: Myth narrative
Vocab related to the text: Autumn 1: underneath, peered, doorway, disappeared, guarding, otherwise Autumn 2: treasure, tickly, glittery, special, loved, shinier Spring 1: sneaky, brave, lonely,mission side-kick, checklist, audition, daunted, perfect Spring 2:	Vocab related to the text: Autumn 1: marvellous, wobble, collapsed, rotten, propellor, whizzed, muffled, propped, bravely Autumn 2: trapped, riches, cackled, curse boldly,explore, secretly suspected, snarled, returning Spring 1: Detective, typewriter,pest, reward, hurl, mysteries, suspects	Vocab related to the text: Autumn 1: mangroves, peer, gazing stretching into the distance, swept away, towards the horizon, plumes of smoke, murmuring of running water,feel many eyes watching, river opens up, endless stream of busyness Autumn 2: discovered, sculpture, dashed, masterpiece, festivities, unfamiliar,	Vocab related to the text: Autumn 1: possessions, consuming, mayhem, armed, consider, sheer, disguising, vivid, bait, selected, immobilise, disastrous Autumn 2 charred, clamped, tend scrub, stringybarks, rejoices streak, exults, scarcely, triumph, huddles, adrift Spring 1: streams, plunge, current, winding jets, gratefully	Vocab related to the text: Autumn 1: rickety, ominous, unkempt, elusive, billowed, quest, torrents, tormented Autumn 2 habit, situation, drifted, deserted, rifled, matted, shunned, landmark Spring 1: humble ancestors subsequent epic, unlikeliest, plunged, bounded, clambered, canopy, embers,

journey, forest, growled, plan, shortcut, spare, nightdress peeped, leapt

Summer 1:

ordinary, roamed, soared, planted,tools,eventually,imagini ng

Summer 2:

raged, shore, washed up, wondered, belonged, sneak

clues

Spring 2:

gnashed, tamed, rumpus, supper, vines, mischief, wild, cried

Summer 1:

glimpse mysterious outsmart unnoticed,translucent, scrapes, shore, echoed

Summer 2:

hunting flung popgun supplies,stalking,lurked slithered, bracken, pounced, Lynx admire, evidence

Spring 1:

dell, newts, bluebells, gravel damp, pale

Spring 2:

boomed, deck, lurched, horizon shore, shack, shipshape, wonders, ledge

Summer 1:

unusual, ban, reign,advisors revolt, rumours,demanded artificial, installed, issued,inspectors, fine, glare, distraction, elsewhere, dim, unguarded, shuddered, avoided

Summer 2:

stash, perplexed, eaves, gizmos, pythons, dismayed hooted, wheezed,hauled cockpit, baffled, sputter

Spring 2:

voyage, magnificent, civilised, yearn drape, farewell, possessions, gazed, boughs, orchid, savages, garments

Summer 1:

glimpse, ornate, unearthly,papyrus location, archaeologists,reveal, tomb, excavations

Summer 2:

huddling, terrified, becoming darker, children huddled, all was quiet, sweet fruity cake, dreadful sound, something was following me meddling, outwit, justice parchment, triumphantly, solemnly

Spring 2:

fumbling, kindling, jackpot villainous, skimmed, noosed vicious, snarled,lair, tipple,hideously, agog

Summer 1:

chaos, escape, sighs, avoid, border, appears, migrating, guard

Summer 2:

blueprints, allowance, villainous, manfish, dove, camouflaged