The Learning Man

Glossary of key words for Terms 1 and 2

YEAR 4

Word	Meaning
English	
adverb	A word that modifies (changes) a verb, adjective, other adverbs, or various other
	types of words, phrases, or clauses.
conjunction	A word that joins two clauses. Co-ordinating conjunctions include 'and', 'but' and 'so. Subordinating conjunctions include, 'because', 'if' and 'until'.
Expanded noun	Is a phrase made up of a noun and at least one adjective.
phrase	
fronted adverbial	Is a word, phrase or clause that is used, like an adverb, to modify a verb or a clause.
Inverted commas	Punctuation that is used around direct speech.
metaphor	A word or phrase that is used to describe something as if it was something else. For
	example: a wave of terror crashed over him. Terror isn't actually a wave, but this is a
	good way to describe the emotion.
noun	A word that can be used to refer to a person, animal, place, thing,
possessive pronoun	A pronoun replaces a person, place or thing. For example 'l', 'you', 'he', 'she', 'we', 'they', 'it', 'me', 'him', 'her', 'us', 'them'.
prefix	Letters that go in front of a root word and change its meaning, for example, 'un-' (happy/unhappy), 'dis-' (appear/disappear), 're-' (act/react).
preposition	A linking word in a sentence, used to show where things are in time or space. For example 'under', 'after', 'next', 'behind'.
proper noun	A noun which names a particular person, place or thing. For example 'John', 'London', 'France', 'Monday', 'December'.
similes	A figure of speech in which one thing is compared to another, in the case of English
	generally using like or as
synonyms	A word or phrase with a meaning that is the same as, or very similar to, another word
	or phrase.
Maths	
area	A measure of the extent of a surface; it is measured in square units.
chunking	A method used for dividing large numbers. Children are taught to use rough estimates of how many times a number will go into another number and then to adjust until the right answer is found (working out how many groups of a number fit into another number).
column method	A method of calculation where the numbers to be added or subtracted are set out above one another in columns. The calculation is done by 'carrying' and 'exchanging' numbers from column to column.
commutativity	Addition and multiplication have the property of commutativity – when two numbers are added or multiplied, this can be done in any order and the answer will be the same. E.g. 2 x 3 = 6 or 3 x 2 = 6
estimate	Sometimes called an 'educated guess'. Estimating is roughly guessing a number of objects or the answer to a calculation based on existing knowledge.
inverse operation	The calculation, which is opposite to a given calculation. Addition is the inverse of subtraction; multiplication is the inverse of division.
perimeter	The sum of the distance of all the lengths of the sides of an object.
multiples	A whole number that can be divided by another whole number with no remainder.

rounding	Adjusting digits up or down to the nearest tens, hundreds, thousands number etc. in
	order to make the calculations easier.
PSHE	'Being my best' and 'Me and my relationships'
Assertive	The ability to speak up for yourself and others in a way that is honest and respectful
Unique	Comes from the Latin word meaning 'one' and means being the only one of its type.
Qualities	A special, distinctive or essential characteristic for somebody.
Similar	When someone or something has qualities that are the same or in common with
	something else.
Different	When something is not the same as something or someone else.
Early Warning Signs	Early Warning Signs are signals that we get in our body which tell us if we are feeling
	unsafe, worried or scared.
Choices	The act of making a decision between two or more things.
Community	The people who live in a specific area (e.g Banbury) and the area itself. People in a
	community live and work together to
Relationship	A relationship is how two or more people are connected. For example: through
	friendships or family.
Consequence	Something produced by a cause of following from a condition
Compromise	To settle by agreeing that each side will change or give up some demands.
Collaborative	When people work with each other to complete a task.
Tease	The act of making fun of or repeatedly bothering a person.
Pressure	A force or influence that cannot be avoided.
Refuse	Politely saying no to things you do not need.
Reduce	Using less of something.
Recycle	Many products are now recyclable, which means that they can be turned into
	something else. Paper, metal, glass, plastic and clothes are among many items which
	can be recycled.
Re-use	Using things more than once, as opposed to throwing them away after one use. For
	example: reusable water bottles.
Rot	Letting waste food turn into compost to be used in the garden.
Re-think	Think about different ways to do things. For example: manufacturers may use less
	plastic to package their products in order to protect and look after the environment.
Repair	To fix something which may be broken, rather than throwing it away.