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| | Autumn Term | Spring Term | Summer Term |
| ling | Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important. Learn new vocabulary. Engage in storytimes by listening carefully, | Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. | ELG Listening Attention and Understanding Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions. |
| Attention and Understanding | retaining what has been heard and recalling key points. | Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. | ELG Listening Attention and Understanding Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. |
| Und | Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. | Learn rhymes, poems and songs. | ELG Listening Attention and Understanding Hold conversation when engaged in back-and- |
| and | Engage in non-fiction books. | Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop deep familiarity with new knowledge and | forth exchanges with their teacher and peers. |
| Intior | Contributes relevant comments in discussions. | vocabulary. | |
| Atte | Responds to a series of instructions and a range of questions. | Can switch attention from one task to another. | |
| ning, | | Follows complex instructions. Respond to discussions with comments and | |
| Listening, | | questions. | |
| | | Is able to listen in large group or whole school activities such as assembly, recalling some of the themes and comments at a later stage. | |
| | Use new vocabulary through the day. | Describe events in some detail. | ELG Speaking Participate in small group, class and one-to-one |
| king | Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences, communicating confidently with peers and adults. | Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities, and to explain how things work and why them might happen. | discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. |
| Speaking | Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives. | Develop social phrases. | ELG Speaking Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from |
| | | Enjoys being part of conversations and discussions and uses new vocabulary in context. | stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate. |

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| | Uses talks to communicate needs, news, feelings | | |
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| | and ideas. | Use talk to support their imaginative play. | ELG Speaking |
| | Uses plurals and some tenses correctly. Asks questions to support their learning or understanding. | | Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher. |