

Key vocabulary for Reception
Spring 1 2026

Week 1		Week 2 Colin and Lee		Week 3 How to catch a star		Week 4 Astro Girl		Week 5 Look up		Week 6 Supertato/Be who you are	
presents holiday food Santa toys family names books		kind friend share turns rules question Who/What/ Why/Where When\How		title page words cover library star sky space day night sun shadow		Space astronaut Earth Mars Mercury Venus Jupiter Uranus Neptune		question Police Firefighter Emergency Paramedic Ambulance jobs help instrument		Doctor health teeth Dentist healthy unhealthy exercise food clean soap strong super powers special same/different	
Story language Once up a time, First, Next, After that, Finally		White Rose Maths zero, making 5, comparing, more than, less than, same, equal, unequal, altogether, mass, weigh, balance scales, heavy, light, heavier than, lighter than, full, empty, capacity, half full, half empty, tall, thin, narrow, wide, shallow									
Important phrases Yes please No thank you Help please – please can you help me? My turn please - please can I have a go? healthy/unhealthy share take turns						Questions who, what, why, where, when, how ICW Simple words linked to small world toys – colours/ size/ animals/ vehicles					
Drawing club						Word Aware					
whoosh splat scaly fiery swoop	wandering courageous tiptoe panic flee	slurping feast cautious crouch farewell	demolished guzzle slumber frosty cramped	exhausted eject stunned hot on the heels big cheese	Quick A bit Noisy Quiet	Thick Thin Wide Large Small	Narrow Backwards Forwards Hard Soft	Shiny Rough Smooth More Lots	Above Below Light Quick Loud		