

Skylark Class Vocabulary Spine

This spine is based on *Bringing Words to Life* (2008) by Beck, McKeown and Kucan. This provides a framework for the words children should know and understand by the end of their first year in Reception at St Thomas a Becket. This is not an exhaustive list but provides guidance for staff.

Tier 1 Everyday words	Tier 2 Academic or expressive language	Tier 3 Subject-specific words
Listen	Muscles	Paint
Talk	Squeeze	Join
Understand	Accuracy	Texture
Push	Control	Democracy
Pull	Grasp	Money
Rest	Gallop	Environment
Strong	Choice	Recycle
Build	Conflict	Author
Cut	Emotions	Illustrator
Draw	Fair	Print
Climb	Apology	Grapheme
Hop	Special	Phoneme
Jump	Discuss	Digraph
Kick	Collaborate	Trigraph
Run	Planet	Core (strength)
Skip	Responsibility	Midline (crossing)
Throw	Title	Tripod (grip)
Feelings	Vocabulary	Symmetrical
Help	Purpose	(Finger) perception
Manners	Sentences	Circle
Rules	Vertical	Corner
Share	Horizontal	Cube
Different	Compare	Cuboid
Friend	Describe	Cylinder
Kind	Match	Edge
Job	Order	Face
Save	Ordinal numbers first – tenth	Hexagon
Spend	Complete	Quadrilateral
World	Extend	Rectangle
More	Pattern	Side
Less	Recognise	Sphere
Add	Repeat	Square

Subtract
Double
Half
Pair
Sets
Share
Tools
Sort
Old
New
Colour

Difference
Equal
Fewer
Heavier
Lighter
Backwards
Behind
Forwards
In front of
Yesterday
Today
Tomorrow
Beach
Community
Empathy
Animals
Plants
Natural
Design
Join
Materials
Measure
Observe
Artist
Collage
Mixing
Expression
Stimulus

Triangle
Rotation
Bar graph
Pictogram
Realia graph
Church
Desert
Globe
Map
Mosque
Mountain
Rainforest
River
Architect
Architecture
Properties
Stability
Hypothesise
Paint
Print
Sculpt
Sculpture
Technique
Beat
Dynamics
Genre
Instrument
Melody
Pitch
Rhythm
Structure
Tempo
Texture
Timbre
Self-regulation