		ield Academy of New Waltham Kestrel Class Y4/5 um Term Plan – English – Spring 1			Focus Texts: Tin Forest by Helen Ward and Wayne Anderson
Week	Reading	Spelling	Writing, Punctuation & Grammar Links		Writing Opportunities
Commencing:	Each week, we will continue to develop reading fluency.				
6.1.25	 Developing fluency skills; pace, accuracy, smoothness, and expression through reading alone, in pairs and chorally, as well as listening to teacher. Listening to and discussing texts. Discussing, understanding, and explaining the meaning of words in context. Asking questions to improve understanding of a text. Giving reasoned justifications for views. Participating in discussion about texts. 	Year 4 Step 13 Words ending in '-sion' expansion, extension, comprehension, tension, suspension, exclusion, provision, explosion, erosion, invasion Year 5 Step 13 Words ending in '-able', where the 'e' from the root word remains agreeable, changeable, irreplaceable, knowledgeable, manageable, microwaveable, noticeable, rechargeable, replaceable, salvageable Year 4 Step 14	 Text features: Paragraphs to organise in time sequence Paragraphs used to relate group ideas Effective 	 SPAG Coverage: Fronted Adverbials (recap) Prepositions to express time and clause (recap) Adjectives Homophones 	Coverage of required SPAG
	 VIPERS stems/skills. Identify themes and conventions. Prepare play scripts to read aloud. Show understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action. 	Words ending in '-ous' poisonous, dangerous, mountainous, marvellous, perilous, tremendous, enormous, jealous, precious, disastrous Year 5 Step 14 Words that are adverbs of time afterwards, earlier, eventually, finally, immediately, previously, recently, tomorrow, whilst, yesterday	 Effective vocabulary choices Technical language 		 Identity purpose and audience Identity vocabulary Analysis of a WAGOLL

20.1.25	 Discuss words and phrases that capture readers' interest and imagination. Draw inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts, emotions and actions 	Year 4 Step 15 Words ending in '-ous' incl. those where 'ge' from the base word remains courageous, outrageous, nervous, famous, adventurous, disadvantageous, ridiculous, carnivorous, rapturous, torturous Year 5 Step 15 Words with suffixes where the base word ends in '-fer' conferring, difference, inference, preference, preferred, referee, reference, referring, transference, transferring	 Rhetorical questions to engage the reader Subheadings 	 Commas after fronted adverbials Expanded Noun phrases Editing and evaluating 	 Begin to plan sections Begin to plan draft Write draft
27.1.25		Year 4 Step 16 Words where a suffix is added to words ending in 'y' merriment, happiness, plentiful, penniless, happily, prettiest, nastiness, beautiful, pitiful, silliness Year 5 Step 16 Words with 'silent' first letters knife, knight, knowledge, knuckle, mnemonic, pterodactyl, wreath, wreckage, wrestler, writer			 Non-chronological report writing opportunities: "The Wonders of the Tin Forest" Focus: A descriptive report about the tin forest, both before and after its transformation. Sections: What is the Tin Forest? (Describe its metallic, lifeless state) The Arrival of Nature (How plants and animals transformed it) Why It's Special (The uniqueness of a forest born from imagination and hard work) Purpose: To highlight the power of creativity and persistence "The Tin Forest: A Place of Transformation" Overview: A description of the tin forest, focusing on its unique transformation from a lifeless wasteland to a vibrant, living ecosystem. Sections:

		- The Living Forest - Highlight the
		plants, animals, and birds that
		eventually made the forest their home.
		"The Power of Dreams and Determination"
		 Overview: Focus on the old man's dream and how his determination changed the tin forest.
		 Sections: Who Is the Dreamer? - Introduce the old man and his lonely life in the tin
		forest. - <i>The Dream of a Green Forest -</i> Explain what he imagined and how he started
		working toward it. - <i>Making a Dream Come True</i> - Detail th changes that occurred because of his
		efforts. - What We Can Learn - Reflect on themes of hope, persistence, and caring for the environment.
3.2.25	Year 4	
	Step 17 Words ending in '-ious' and 'eous' serious, obvious, curious, hideous, spontaneous, courteous, furious, various, victorious, gaseous	
	Year 5 Step 17	
	Words with 'silent' letters ascend, autumn, build, disciple, doubt, island, lamb, receipt, solemn, thistle	
10.2.25	Year 4 Step 18 Challenge Words	Poetry opportunities:
	extreme, although, breath, caught, different,	"The Lonely Forest"
	exercise, medicine, thought, business, possession Year 5	 Theme: The sadness of the tin forest before it comes to life.
	Step 18 Challenge Words ancient, amateur, awkward, criticise, equipment,	 Style: A free-verse poem capturing the gray and desolate mood of the tin forest, with hints of hope.
	excellent, foreign, pronunciation, symbol, yacht	"Dreams of Green"
		 Theme: The old man's dream of turning the tin forest into a real one.

			 style: A rhyming poem describing his vision and determination.
			"The Forest Awakens"
			 Theme: The transformation of the tin forest as nature returns.
			 Style: A narrative poem with a rhythmic pace to show the excitement of animals and plants coming back.
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	Year 5		