**Characteristics of Learning – Reading – Year 4**

**Ideas for comments for reading journals, reading focus for pupils in Year 4**

**Word skills**

• Read all the words correctly.

• Read familiar words independently.

• Can discuss words and phrases that they find interesting

• Found some words difficult.

• Tried hard to work out new words.

• Needs to practice again to reinforce the words.

• Read accurately and confidently.

• Was able to work out new words using picture clues.

• Used the first sound to work out new words.

• Self-corrected errors independently.

**Comprehension**

• Understood the story well.

• Good discussion about events in the story.

• Retold the story in detail.

• Could talk about the story confidently.

• Answered questions about the content.

• Re-reads to improve understanding.

• Needs lots of help to understand the main events.

* Can explain how the layout helps the reader.
* Is able to summarise what they’ve read concisely.
* Makes good predictions about what might happen next.

**Attitude and interest**

• Read eagerly.

• Enjoyed the story because ……

• Was not engaged in this book.

• Fantastic expression.

• Read fluently.

• Would benefit from reading again to improve fluency.

• Took punctuation into account when reading the book.

* Can compare story to others they have read.