**Discussion Strand**

**Pupils should learn how to:**

**Reception**

* Take turns in a pair
* Listen to other pupils during activities
* Contribute ideas to class discussions

**Year 1**

* Take turns in a group
* Listen to other pupils during group work
* Explain their thoughts to a group

**Year 2**

* Keep on topic during discussion
* Reach agreement in a group
* Ensure all group members have a turn

**Year 3**

* Disagree politely with peers
* Take responsibility for and contribute to the success of a group activity
* Discuss a range of feelings and emotions

**Year 4**

* Use inclusion techniques in a group e.g. questions, eye contact, people’s names
* Address alternative opinions in discussion
* Help to organise work in a group to ensure success

**Year 5**

* Plan and manage a group task over time
* Use a range of techniques (e.g. compromise, considering consequences, combining ideas) to reach an agreement in a group
* Use a range of question types in discussion and conversation

**Year 6**

* Use the conventions and language of formal debate
* Successfully counter another argument during a debate or discussion
* Consider, evaluate and build on different viewpoints during debates and discussions