

Dear parents/carers,

Below is a copy of the spellings which will be tested this half term. There will be five spellings from the spelling rule being learned and five spellings from the Y5 and 6 statutory spellings. A copy of these words will also be available from the school website should you need to replace them. Many thanks for your continued support.

Week 1		Week 2		Week 3	
Test Date: 16 September		Test Date: 23 September		Test Date: 30 September	
Spelling Rule:	Statutory:	Spelling Rule:	Statutory:	Spelling Rule:	Statutory:
 sprint float fight proud dawn 	1.accommodate 2. accompany 3. according 4. achieve 5. aggressive	 thoroughly plough drought doughnut although 	 amateur ancient apparent appreciate attached 	 trade cycle create persuade appreciate 	 available average awkward bargain bruise
Spelling Rule: Suffixes; A suffix is a letter or group of letters that can be added to the end of a word to change its meaning. Some suffixes can begin with a vowel sound and some begin with a consonant. Children will be given the root word to learn and must apply the correct spelling rule in the test. 1. If the suffix begins with a vowel (like -est) and the root word ends in a short vowel sound and two consonants, we do not change the spelling of the root word. 2. If the suffix begins with a vowel (like -est) and the root word ends in a long vowel sound and a consonant, we do not change the spelling of the root word.		Spelling Rule: Words containing the letter-string 'ough'. The letters 'ough' can spell lots of different sounds.		Spelling Rule: Suffixes Swap, Double or Drop Children will be given the root word to learn and must apply the correct spelling rule in the test. 1. When we add a suffix beginning with a vowel to root words ending in a consonant plus the vowel letter 'e', we DROP the final 'e' from the root word. 2. Remember the suffix 'y' acts like a vowel. Weird Warning: The letter 'e' in the word be is not dropped when we add the suffix -ing. be + ing = being	

Week 4 Test Date: 7 October		Week 5 Test Date: 14 October		Week 6 Test Date: 21 October	
Spelling Rule:	Statutory:	Spelling Rule:	Statutory:	Spelling Rule:	Statutory:
 communicate community committee harass occur 	 bruise category cemetery aggressive appreciate 	 beauty thought govern definite thorough 	 communicate community competition conscience conscious 		
Spelling Rule: Orange Words; Proceed with Caution		Spelling Rule: Suffixes; Swap, Double or Drop		Spelling Rule:	
These are common words that even some adults find tricky to spell. These words make up the Year5/6 statutory spellings.		Suffixes that begin with a consonant. Children will be given the root word to learn and must apply the correct spelling rule in the test. 1. If a suffix starts with a consonant, it is added onto most root words without any changes to the last letters of those words 2. Weird Word Warning – For some words ending in 'y' we swap the 'y' for an 'i' before adding the suffixes —less, -ful, -ness and —ment.		This week, child tested on a mix of previous week's	of words from

All spelling tests will take place on a Friday, unless other school events mean it needs to be changed.

Spelling Rules: Children will learn a spelling rule to help them spell longer words correctly. To ensure children have learned the rule, their spelling rule words will be the root word (a basic word with no prefix or suffix added to it). During the spelling test, children will have to add the given prefix or suffix to the root word ensuring they have followed the rule studied.

Sometimes, the spelling rule will be a focus on **Orange Words** (Statutory words to be learned by the end of Y5/6). Although, usually, no spelling rule applies to these words, the week's focus will be on different ways to remember how to spell these words correctly. Some words will be repeated over the year to consolidate the learning of the word.

Statutory Words (Orange Words): These are words that some adults find difficult to spell and they seldom follow a simple spelling rule. These are, generally, words that just have to be learned and remembered. However, there are different strategies that may help with the learning of these words. I have given a few examples below.

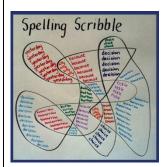
If you have any questions then please get in touch. Thank you MrP

Helping your child.

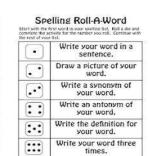
One method of helping your child learn their spelling is 'Look, cover, write, check'

Children look at a word and sound it out, cover it, practice writing it and then check it. If you wish to challenge your child even further you could ask them to say a sentence using the word or even write a sentence and then try to improve it.

Other ways to help learn spellings:









Memory Strategies:

Syllables: Listen to how many syllables there are and break the word into smaller chunks

to remember. September = Sep - tem - ber (clap them out if it helps) **Root words**: Find the root word of the longer word. Smiling = smile + ing

Analogy: Use words that you already know to help spelling. Would, Should, Could

Mnemonic: Make up a sentence to help remember the word:

Caught = Can An Ugly Goat Have Teeth

SPELLING HOMEWORK: All weekly spelling words are on LITERACY PLANET for children to practice as part of their homework.