

Spring Spelling Challenge 2017

Dear Parents,

This term, we will be holding a Spelling Challenge for children in school on **Thursday 16th February**. Instead of a sponsored event, the focus will be on which house can achieve the most correctly spelt words. The winning house will then receive a 'Golden afternoon'. Today, children will be sent home with 10-20 spellings to learn over the next three weeks.

Each class will do their spelling challenge with their class teacher.

The words chosen are linked to the new national curriculum and are words children are expected to know. Some of these words are repeated from the last sponsored spell as they were the most commonly misspelt words.

The spelling challenge's main purpose is to continue to improve children's spellings and we need your help to do this. With the new national curriculum placing more emphasis on spelling and not just functional or generic words but specific words (e.g. "accommodate", "privilege", "Parliament" and "mischievous"), children require more opportunities to practice learning them. By supporting and encouraging your child at home, you will help to reinforce the importance of spelling and help them to achieve more.

We hope your children will have fun learning these spellings. We do not, nevertheless, want this to be an onerous task. If you feel it will be too daunting for your child please agree with him/her which and how many words you feel will challenge them but not outface them and focus on those. Please let your child's class teacher aware of this too.

I have also attached another copy of last term's ideas on how to practise spellings at home for you to use if you so wish to.

Thank you for your continued support in helping them to learn the spellings and raising the profile of this important life skill,

Miss Richardson - English Manager



Year 6 Spelling Challenge Words

convenience,
guarantee
appreciate,
immediate,
opportunity,
sincere,
ancient,

desperate,
sufficient,
exaggerate,
individual,
persuade,
symbol,
apparent.

embarrass,
vehicle,
explanation,
necessary,
recognise,
accommodate,

Year 5 Spelling Challenge Words

favourite,
separate,
conscious,
equipment,
hindrance,
mischievous,
vehicle,

material,
amateur,
definite,
familiar,
achieve,
programme,
available.

particular,
bruise,
curiosity,
forty,
rhythm,
rhyme,

Year 4 Spelling Challenge Words

accidentally,
suppose,
possession,
earth,
learn,
favourite,
ordinary,

February,
decide,
believe,
fruit,
believe,
height,
material.

special,
position,
interest,
group,
eight,
weight,

Year 3 Spelling Challenge Words

enough,
naughty,
minute,
through,
probably,
position,
quarter,

thought,
probably,
regular,
actual,
heard,
breath,
perhaps.

caught,
special,
though,
occasion,
mention,
breathe,

Spelling Challenge Words

said,
they,
with,
out,
like,
go,
down,

was,
for,
all,
this,
some,
one,
when.

you,
that,
what,
went,
were,
them,