

Headteacher: Mrs V Giliker

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KS2 Spelling.

Dear Parents / Carers,

This year, we have decided to change the weekly spelling homework and spelling test. We often find that although children get 100% on spelling tests, they do not spell the words correctly within their writing. We intend that these changes will improve children's spelling in all their writing.

From September, the children will be given a list of spellings as part of their English lessons and learning spelling patterns and rules. They will be given opportunities when writing, to use these words. Teachers will check that the children are correctly spelling these key words and spelling patterns within their writing.

Your child will not be doing a weekly spelling test; instead, your child will be given a spelling book for weekly homework investigations. There will be a list of words each week that they will have been working on. In the book there will be a choice of activities to investigate and play with the spelling patterns.

Each week, the homework books will be handed in as usual, so your child's teacher can check homework is being completed.

You can also help your child with their spelling by playing games and activities such as Scrabble and Boggle it ensures pupils regularly use words and develop knowledge of spelling patterns and rules in a way that is relevant and fun.



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There are many spelling apps available which will help to make learning words more fun, some good free ones are:

Doodlespell

Spelling Hero Game (free on Android)

Word Search Ultimate

We will also use 'Spelling Shed' as part of homework, details to follow on how you can access this app.

Teachers will continue to assess spelling each term based on the spelling patterns learned.

Please see your child's teacher if you require



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