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**KS2 (Years 3-6) Spelling**

Dear Parents/guardians,

Due to the increased focus on spelling for National Tests we need to enhance our spelling teaching in school. Your child will be introduced to a new programme, called *Read Write Inc Spelling,* which will make spelling fun, enjoyable and interesting!

Although many of our children score highly in a weekly spelling test we have found that a large proportion of our children have found memorising spelling for a test stressful or they have forgotten the spelling of the words immediately after the test. Therefore we have invested in a programme that uses proven strategies of teacher modelling followed by partner work, to embed learning.

The spelling programme comprises of teacher-led activities, paired work and independent short and progressive activities. Alongside this, there is a Spelling Log where children can record the words they find difficult to spell. **Because spelling will be taught and rehearsed regularly,** **children will not be given weekly lists of spellings to learn for a test.** Instead, assessment throughout a unit will be ongoing and children will be logging spellings in their log that they find difficult.

To further support your child they will be receiving a list of their year group spellings that they are expected to practise as part of their homework. All of these spellings will be practised throughout the *Read Write Inc* units of work. In addition the common exception words, which are taught during year 1 and 2, will also be provided for you to practise.

As a parent there are many ways that you can support your child at home with their learning, some of these are listed below for you:

* Practise your child’s year group spellings in their homework book each week.
* Practise the common exception words on a weekly basis.
* Continue to listen to your child read regularly, discussing the text throughout.

On **Thursday 7th January at 6:00 pm** there will be a parents spelling evening, in the hall, where the *Read Write Inc* spelling activities will be discussed. All welcome!

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs V Neal

English Co-ordinator