

1st October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

From **Friday 3rd October**, children in Years 1–4 will be bringing home weekly spellings to practise. (Year 5 and 6 already have their own arrangements in place.)

The routine will be as follows:

- Every Friday, your child will bring home their spelling book with a new list of spellings to learn.
- Please support your child in practising these at home during the week. You could use the look, cover, write, check way.
- Books must be returned to school the following Friday morning so that children can complete their spelling test in the back of the book (starting **Friday 10th October**).

Why are spellings important?

Learning weekly spellings helps children become more confident writers, improves their reading skills, and builds strong learning habits. Regular practice also boosts accuracy and independence, which in turn supports their progress across all subjects.

For some children, the full list of 10 spellings may be too challenging. In these cases, teachers will use their judgement and may set a smaller number (e.g. 5 spellings) to ensure the task is manageable and meaningful.

Thank you for your support in helping your child practise their spellings each week

Kind regards,

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