

Spelling



Children from Reception to Year 2 take part every day in a 'Letters and Sounds' phonics session.

Phonics is the foundation for reading and spelling, helping children to blend sounds together for reading and segment the separate sounds in each word for spelling.

Children also take part in 'Letters and Sounds' sessions in Lower Key Stage 2 to consolidate their learning.

They then progress through to 'Support for Spelling' sessions to develop their spelling strategies.



Supporting Your Child At Home

Children need to have a purpose for writing to develop their spelling and writing skills.

Make spelling fun!

Special paper, pens and fun activities can really encourage those less reluctant spellers to have a go.

Here are a few suggestions to help your child to learn their spellings in different ways:

- Write the word slowly in the air, saying each letter as they write.
- Scrabble spelling - find the letters they need to spell their word and mix them up in a bag. (You do not need to use letters from a Scrabble game; letters on paper are as good). Tip the letters out and unscramble them to spell the word.
- Cut out the letters they need from a newspaper or magazine and glue them onto paper.

- Spell the words with raisins or something small and tasty. Eat the treats if they spell the word correctly.
- Use a paintbrush and write the words in water on paving slabs.
- Use different coloured pens to write the words.
- Using a finger, spell the word on mum or dad's back, saying each letter as it is written.
- Write out the word lots of times on a piece of paper. Miss one or two different letters out of each word. Can your child fill in the missing letters.

Have a go at some of these ideas - It may help your child to learn their weekly spellings.

