



# BISHOPSWOOD INFANT SCHOOL

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## Spellings

Dear Parents and Carers,

Starting from today, all children in Year 1 have a new spelling list and these have been stuck in to their spelling book for them to practise at home.

In the National Curriculum are lists of words that are required to be taught by the end of Year 1 and 2. In addition to this, we teach the children 'tricky words' linked to their phonics lessons. To ensure children not only learn the words for the test, but are able to apply them in their writing, **we will be teaching the children a new set of words every 2 weeks.** These will be practised in school and your help in supporting them to practise at home is appreciated. **Spelling tests will be every other Friday (the first test being on 20<sup>th</sup> November) and children will then be given a new list.**

### Practising spellings at home

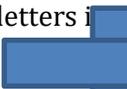
Children benefit from practising their spellings for regular, short amounts of time. **Please can we ask that children do not practise their spellings in their spelling book.** We will also be sending home log-ins to '**Spelling Shed**', an app and online program where your children can practise their spellings, in the near future. There is a QR code on the spelling list which helps you to access this app if you would like to download it onto your smart phone/tablet. Once you are in the app search for '**BIS Spelling List 1**' to access the first list (then List 2 for the second list and so on). Attached to this letter however, you will find different ways your child might like to practise their spellings.

We thank you in advance for your support during the transition period. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your class teacher.

Many thanks

Year 1 Team

## Spelling Pick 'n' Mix

<p><b>Spell Shower</b></p> <p>Build up your words in a shower!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">S SH SHO SHOW SHOWE SHOWER</p>	<p><b>Rainbow Letters</b></p> <p>Write your spellings using a different colour for each</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">letter</p>	<p><b>Left Hand / Right Hand</b></p> <p>Write your spellings with your writing hand then write them again with the other hand. Can you write a word with both hands at once?</p>	<p><b>Memory Prompt</b></p> <p>Make up a memory prompt – always include the spelling somewhere in the prompt. For example –</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>LAUGH</b> Laugh And U Giggle Helplessly</p>	<p><b>Cut up Spellings</b></p> <p>With an adult, cut out letters from an old newspaper or magazine and create your spellings in your homework book.</p> 
<p><b>Speedy Spellings</b></p> <p>Set a timer. How many times can you write your word correctly in the time you have chosen?</p> 	<p><b>Syllable Sort</b></p> <p>Split each word into syllables. Use a different colour for each syllable -</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;">camera</p>	<p><b>Spelling Shapes</b></p> <p>Write your spelling and draw around it. Now cover the word, draw the shape and fill the letters in</p> 	<p><b>Silly Sentences</b></p> <p>Write a 'silly sentence' for each of your spellings.</p> 	<p><b>Words in Words</b></p> <p>Find words inside your spellings and write them down. Can you see <b>a rat</b> in <b>separate</b>?</p> 
<p><b>Vowel Quest</b></p> <p>Write all of your words leaving a line where the vowel should be. Can you go back and add in the vowels?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">h_se c_ght</p>	<p><b>TheLineofWords</b></p> <p>Write your spellings with no space between them – how long can you make your</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: blue;">lineofwords?</p> <p>Use two colours so you can see where one word ends and another starts.</p>	<p><b>Colour Tracing</b></p> <p>Write each word with a pencil. Carefully trace over the word with a different colour. Now trace over with a second colour!</p>	<p><b>Alphabetical</b></p> <p>Write your spellings in alphabetical order. If the spellings start with the same letter, look at the next letter.</p> 	<p><b>Word Fill</b></p> <p>Write the first letter of your spelling in large 'bubble writing'. Now fill in the shape by writing your word as many times as you can.</p>