Dictations

In class this year, we are going to be spending time working on learning spelling rules to aid us with our writing.

At home, your child will be learning words from the statutory word list. These words are particularly useful because, with many of them, once the root word has been learnt, longer words can be spelt correctly by applying the guidance for adding prefixes and suffixes - for example, interest can be used to spell interestingly and disinteresting in year 3 and 4 and occupy can be used to spell reoccupy, occupied and occupying in year 5 and 6.

Research shows that children need to be exposed to a variety of different methods of learning spellings. It would be helpful if you could support your child in their learning. A selection of strategies can be found below.

The spellings, which they learn at home, will be assessed through dictated sentences. This is because it is a more effective way of encouraging children to apply their learning than a straight forward spelling test of single words.

All children will start on the first dictation list. When they have correctly spelled all 5 words in their dictated passage, they will be able to move on to the second dictation list and the next. We will celebrate this in school with praise for the hard work they have put in to learning these challenging words. We will be grateful if you were to do the same thing at home. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Year 3/4 word lists

List 1 mention naughty breath probably arrive	List 2 answer often opposite surprise ordinary	List 3 weight various women surprise ordinary	List 4 favourite February forward through hearts	List 5 heard peculiar although strange famous
List 6 guide century position group enough	List 7 believe grammar increase important interest	List 8 perhaps thought strength eight suppose	List 9 extreme experiment strength medicine special	List 10 notice separate promise occasion remember

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List 11	List 12	List 13	List 14	List 15
fruit	breathe	disappear	minute	reign
experience	complete	accident	island	recent
caught	circle	build	natural	early
potatoes	learn	centre	difficult	history
guard	sentence	calendar	imagine	appear
List 16	**List 17**	**List 18**	**List 19**	**List 20**
describe	actual	knowledge	pressure	
exercise	eight	quarter	material	
purpose	bicycle	though	height	
continue	consider	particular	occasionally	
library	address	possess	business	

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