

At Buckingham Primary Academy school we follow the Babcock No Nonsense spelling programme from years 2 to 6

### What is the No Nonsense Spelling Programme?

The No Nonsense Spelling Programme was devised to offer teachers a comprehensive yet accessible progression in the teaching of spelling. Guidance, rather than prescription, is provided on how to teach the strategies, knowledge and skills pupils need to learn.

The focus of the programme is on the teaching of spelling, which embraces knowledge of spelling conventions - patterns and rules; but integral to the teaching is the opportunity to promote the learning of spellings, including statutory words, common exceptions and personal spellings.

### The programme

- delivers a manageable tool for meeting the requirements of the 2014 National Curriculum
- has a clear progression through blocks of teaching units across the year
- comprehensively explains how to teach spelling effectively.

### How No Nonsense Spelling is organised

The programme consists of the following elements:

- The requirements of the National Curriculum, which have been organised into strands and then broken down into termly overviews.
- Termly overviews that have been mapped across weeks as half termly plans. These follow a model of spelling sessions which we also supplement with Year group specific spellings and 'Ninja Words' to enhance the children's vocabulary.
- Daily lesson plans for each session, with Supporting Resources, including word lists and guidance on conventions.