Key Stage 1 and 2 Spelling Bee 2026-27

Dear Families,

Please find details of our exciting upcoming Spelling Bee! The school Spelling Bee is a termly competition held at the end of each term to promote high standards in spelling across Key Stage 1 and 2. The Spelling Bee encourages children to learn their key spelling words in order to compete in a friendly and supportive environment amongst their peers.

During the summer term, we will then have a MAT Spelling Bee Competition whereby we will compete against the other schools in our academy in order to win the MAT Spelling Bee trophy!

How will it work?

Please take the time to help your child to learn the key spelling words available here in order to allow your child to compete in a friendly and supportive environment in which all children can achieve and aspire to be the best they can be. At the end of each term, your child's class teacher will complete heats with their own class to find the year group winners in school. A MAT final will be held during the summer term to see which school is the *Spelling Bee Champion*. All children will be awarded a Spelling Bee certificate in our Achievement Assembly.

Please note that the Autumn term Spelling Bee will be taking place in December.

What's happening?

We will be hosting the termly School Spelling Bee at the end of each term. The aim of the Spelling Bee is to celebrate the effort that the children are making with their spellings.

When will the children be tested?

The children will have towards the end of each term to learn their spellings. The class teachers will quiz all the children in the class. All children will have a chance to celebrate their achievements. Practising these spellings regularly at home will give them confidence to take part. All children will receive a certificate in recognition of their achievement.

At the end of the Summer term, a selection of children will be chosen to participate in the Cross-MAT Spelling Bee Competition to hopefully win the MAT Spelling Bee trophy for their school.

How can I help my child?

Look at the words together – read them out loud
Look for similar words/word families
Break words into syllables
Be a word detective – can you spot smaller words hiding in the longer word?
Have fun
Praise your child's efforts!
Don't spend too long on the spellings

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.