



Dear Parents,

This year, Key Stage 2 pupils are invited to take part in the Rochdale Spelling Bee. This is an opportunity for children to practise their spelling skills both in school and at home and take part in a spelling competition.

The competition will begin in classes where children will practise their year group spellings and then compete against each other to be crowned class champion (we will be doing some PHSE work on winning etc in class too).

The class champion will then go onto the school final where they will compete against the other class champions (5 other pupils).

The winner of the school final will go on to compete against children from other Rochdale schools at **the semi-final which will be on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March at Matthew Moss High School.**

If they are successful in this round they will go on to **the grand final on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March at Number One Riverside in Rochdale.**

An information booklet is being sent out along with this letter for further information and the spellings which may be used so that children can practise at home if they would like to. Children will only be tested on their year group spellings.

We took part in the Rochdale Spelling Bee in 2019 and 2022 and made it to the grand final! All those who took part in all stages really enjoyed the experience.

We will be beginning spelling practise in class the week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> February and even for those children who do not want to be part of the competition the spelling practise will still be beneficial to all.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Craven - Whole School English Lead

