



Birches First School

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to be the best me I can be.



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Spelling along with vocabulary and phonics are critical foundational skills that help children with reading fluency and reading comprehension. It is also a crucial component of the English language, and a foundational skill that your child will carry throughout their academic and professional life.

So far, teachers have been providing children with a list of spellings accessed via our school website. However, after much thought and consideration, we have decided to invest in "Spelling Shed" as our spelling scheme at school.



We understand that the best way for children to learn is through fun, interactive and engaging ways. We want the children to have plenty of practise and repetition of this and are hopeful that this will help you as parents at home too with practising the spellings!

Spelling Shed allows for children to learn their weekly spelling word list through fun and engaging games which will hopefully help build your child's confidence in their spelling and arm them with the spelling skills needed to reach the age-related expectations in writing.

Teachers will be setting spelling games for children to access online from next week. Children will be coming home with login details to allow access to these games from home.

As a result of this, teachers will now be sending out children's weekly spelling wordlists on Marvellous Me. The games set on Spelling Shed will reflect the wordlist sent out.

As always, thank you so much for your support. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,

Mrs Kandola

English Subject Lead