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Dear Parents/carers,



At Captain Webb Primary School we use the **Read Write Inc. Spelling** scheme, which gets every child spelling effortlessly. It is a stand-alone programme for children in Years 2 to Year 6 and has been created to meet the demands of the new National Curriculum.

This programme consists of 15 minutes a day, in short snappy sessions. Fun tasks are used to quickly and effectively fill the gaps in children's knowledge. To keep children engaged, aliens introduce spelling rules on an exciting online spelling planet and children complete quick-fire activities in their spelling practice books.

Progress is accurately recorded using practice tests allowing children to build confidence prior to statutory assessment and teachers learn how to move children on quickly.

For more information on Read Write Inc. Spelling go to www.ruthmiskin.com

Supporting Your Child's Spelling at Home

All children now have spelling log books and these are important in helping them to practice the spellings they need to learn from each unit. To help you to support your children at home with their spellings on a weekly basis, the children will be given 6 spellings every Monday from the unit they are currently on which will follow a set pattern (these are explained at the bottom of each page in their Spelling Log Books).

Homework will be set every Monday - Years 2 and 3 pupils have been given a 'Spelling Menu' which provides a range of fun and interesting ways to practice their spellings.

Years 4, 5 and 6 will be given a spelling homework grid which will assess their weekly spellings and includes other activities to help them learn these. **Dojo rewards will be given for completion of homework, these will be explained further by your child's class teacher.**

All children will be tested on their 6 spellings every Friday.

Any child who does not complete their spelling homework will have to complete their homework in their Golden Time. Children will not miss their Golden Time if they do not achieve 6/6 on the test, only if they haven't completed their homework.

Handy Tips for supporting your child with spelling

- Ask your child to explain the rule for the week and get them to give you example words so that you can build up a word bank that can be referred to frequently.
- Always ensure that your child has their Log Book in school every day.
- Your child will learn 3-6 red or orange words in school from the National Curriculum word lists which are words the children are expected to know for their age range. These are listed in the back of their Spelling Log Book so you can keep overlearning them throughout the year.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Passey
Headteacher