SPELLINGS



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Why change?

- Y6 writing results currently behind national average but improving.
- Key element of Y6 SATs is spelling (writing and GPS test).
- Heavier weighting of spelling test.
- Spelling test mainly Upper KS2 words.
- In writing, Teaching Assessment has to take spelling into account.
- Research shows that traditional method of teaching spellings (10 words tested weekly) does not work.



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- How will it be taught?
 - Vast majority of children to be given the same spellings.
 - Focus on 5 key spelling words per week.
 - 5 lessons / activities completed in school.
 - No weekly test (half-termly test on all words).
 - Homework:
 - sheet with words (& pattern) handed out weekly;
 - range of <u>activities</u> to choose from each week;
 - hand in weekly task / signature to show it has been completed;
 - extension activities suggested on grid;
 - support activities available on website.