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RE: Year 6 Weekly Spelling Test

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may know, Year 6 children will take End of Key Stage 2 SATs tests in May. As part of these assessments, children complete a 20-question spelling test, which includes spelling patterns and rules taught throughout Key Stage 2.

We feel that regular spelling practice will benefit all Year 6 children by helping them to become more accurate and confident spellers. These skills will support them in their SATs spelling test, improve the quality of their writing and help prepare them for the expectations of secondary school.

From this half term, all Year 6 children will take part in a weekly spelling test every Friday. New spellings will be sent home on a Friday afternoon, giving children a full week to learn and practise them. These spelling patterns will also be taught, revisited and practised regularly in school.

To support you with this, we have provided a parent support sheet containing ideas and activities that you can use at home. We strongly encourage parents and carers to spend a short amount of time practising spellings with their child each day.

Little and often helps children to remember spelling patterns, build confidence and develop strong learning habits.

Your support at home can make a huge difference. Spending a few minutes each day discussing, practising and revisiting spellings together will help your child make the best possible progress.

We hope that this additional practice will improve spelling across the year group, strengthen children's writing skills and help prepare them for secondary school.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to speak to one of us or email us at:
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Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,
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