



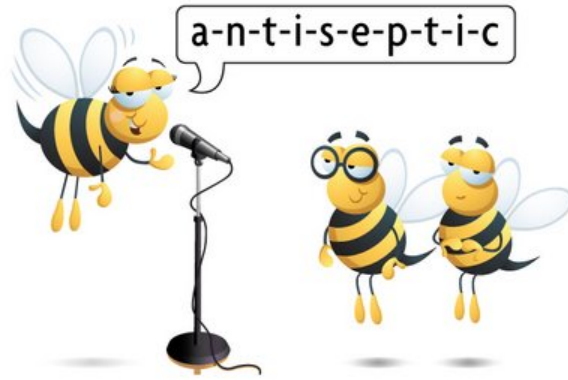
Spelling at Harwich Community Primary School!



In School, we are really trying to promote spelling and working on ways to help the children with their spelling. We have been trying many different ways of making learning spellings more exciting and thought it would be very useful if we share these ideas with you. 😊

<p>Silly Sentences</p> <p>Write silly sentences with a spelling word in each sentence. Underline your spelling words.</p> <p>Example: My cat wears a yellow hat when she goes dancing.</p>	<p>Across and Down</p> <p>Write each word across and down, sharing the same first letter.</p> <p>Example: when h e n</p> 	<p>Headlines</p> <p>Cut letters out of newspapers and magazines to spell out your words. Stick them down to a piece of paper.</p> 	<p>Tell a Story</p> <p>Write a story using all of your spelling words. Make sure you underline your spelling words.</p> 
<p>Backwards Words</p> <p>Write out your spelling words forwards and then backwards.</p> <p>Example: home emoh</p>	<p>BUBBLE WORDS</p> <p>Write your spelling words in bubble letters. After you have written them you can colour them in with crayons.</p> 	<p>Curly Words</p> <p>Firstly write your spelling words out in normal letters. Then, write them again in curly letters!</p>	<p>Three Times!</p> <p>Write each of your spelling words three times. Use a different coloured crayon or pen each time.</p> 

<p>Acrostic Poem</p> <p>Choose one of your spelling words. Write an acrostic poem using that word. Illustrate your poem.</p> <p>Example: sun S ummer is here U nder the rays N ew flowers grow</p>	<p>Spelling Shapes</p> <p>Count your spelling words. Draw one shape for each word. Now write a spelling word in each of the shapes.</p> <p>when four nice</p> 	<p>3-D Words</p> <p>Make your spelling words out of playdough or clay.</p>	<p>Spelling Flowers</p> <p>Draw a big flower. Write each of your spelling words on one of the petals.</p> 
<p>Blue Vowels</p> <p>Write each of your spelling words. Trace the vowels in your words with a blue coloured pencil.</p> <p>Vowels= a e i o u</p>	<p>UPPER and Lower</p> <p>Write each of your spelling words two times. First, write each word in UPPERCASE letters. Second, write each word in lowercase letters.</p>	<p>Connect the Dots</p> <p>Write your spelling words using dots. Connect the dots you've drawn by tracing over them with a coloured pencil.</p>	<p>Air Write</p> <p>Write your spelling words in the air with your finger. Ask someone to read your words as you write. You could also ask someone to air write while you read the word!</p>



Use Multi-media

There are lots of online programs that help kids learn their words. Multi-media programs that use audio, visual and interactive elements have proven to help kids learn more effectively. These are some really good websites:

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/search.aspx?q=spelling>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/interactive/literacy.html>

<http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html>

Post-It Notes

Have your child write their weekly spelling words on post-it notes and stick them throughout the house, where he/she will see them through the week – the bathroom mirror, the fridge, their bedroom door. Every time they see these stickies, have them read the word, close their eyes and repeat the spelling.

Play Games

Make a word search, play memory or hangman with the spelling words. These methods help your children think about their words in different ways and add a new element to learning their words.

Write a story

Have your child write a story incorporating the words from their spelling list. This will help them put their spelling words in context

These are just a few ways that you can help your child! If you have any other ways that you would like to share with us or if you would like any extra support for your child, please don't hesitate to come and see us! ☺

HAPPY

