How Our Spelling Curriculum is Organised

Spelling knowledge and application

- Phonology
- Orthography
- Morphology
- Etymology

How spelling is taught

- Phonics
  Little Wandle Phonics Scheme
  EYFS – Year 2
- Whole class sessions as part of our reading and writing curriculum, and commitment to instilling a love and curiosity about language.
- Spelling Shed Scheme
  Year 3 – Year 6

Rationale

Learning how to spell is a vital life skill that is integral to our writing curriculum. Founded first and foremost in a love of sounds, words, and language, children follow a rigorous, progressive programme of knowledge and skills embedded in phonology, orthology, morphology and etymology. Spelling and phonics are intrinsically linked, and from the earliest years children learn to spell through our Little Wandle synthetic phonics programme. In Year 3, children begin our Spelling Shed scheme of work, which encourages independence and working from home, whilst still following a progressive, year group specific programme of explicitly taught spelling patterns.

Year 2	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
	Autumn 1	**Autumn 2**	**Spring 1**	**Spring 2**	**Summer 1**	**Summer 2**
Objective and words	Phase 5 review Week 1 /ai/ a-e ai ay a eigh ea ey aigh /ee/ y ea ee e ie ey e-e /igh/ igh i-e i y ie /oa/ ow o o-e oa oe ou Week 2 /oo/ /yoo/ oo u u-e ew ue ou ui /air/ air are ear ere /ur/ er ur ir or ear /ow/ ou ow Week 3 /or/ or a aw au ore oor al oar our augh aur /zh/ si su /ch/ ch tch ture* /sh/ sh ti ch ssi ci si Week 4 /j/ j g ge dge /s/ s ss c ce se st sc /u/ ou /e/ ea /i/ y /o/ a /u/ o o-e /oo/ u oul schwa: er a or ar our re Week 5 ie /ee/ /igh/ y /ee/ /igh/ /i/ ea	Bridge to Spelling Week 1 What do I need to know to think about spelling? How do I use the Complete the code chart to help me to spell? Week 2 Why do I double letters at the end of words? Why do I double letters in some longer words ending in -er? Week 3 Why do some words end in 'k' or 'ck'? Why do some words end in 'ch' or 'tch'? Week 4 When do I add the suffix -es/-s to words? Why do I double the final letter in some words when I add the suffix -ing?	Week 1&2 hy do some words have the spellings 'kn' and 'gn' for /n/, and 'wr' for /r/? Week 3&4 Why do I drop the 'e' when I add the suffixes -ed, -ing, -er, -est and -y? Week 5 Why do some words end 'ge' or 'dge'? Why can /j/ be spelled 'j' or 'g' in different words?	Week 1&2 The 'W special' How do 'w' and 'qu' change the sounds that 'a', 'ar' and 'or' make in some words? Week 3 Why do I swap the 'y' for an 'i' when I add the suffix –es? Week 4 Why do some words have the spelling 'ey' for the sound /ee/? Week 5 Why do some words end -le, -el, -al or -il?	Week 1 Why does c make the sound/s/ in some words? Week 2 How can I spell the sound /zh/? Week 3&4 What happens when I add the suffixes –ment, -less, full, -ness and –ly to a root word? Week 5 How can I show missing letters in a word?	Week 1&2 Why do some longer words have the spelling 'ti' for /sh/? Week 3 How do I use the possessive apostrophe (singular)? Week 4&5 When do I swap, drop or double? (-ing,-er, -est,-y, -ed)

	/ee/ /e/ /ai/ a /a/ /ai/ /or/	Week 5 Why do I swap the 'y' for an 'i' when I add the suffix -ed? Why do I drop the 'e' when I add the suffix -ing?				
Challenge Words **Prickly Spellings** **Homophones**	people eye whole through improve move prove shoe two who beautiful their parents thought sure once again any many friend busy pretty because laugh** friend		One once two again any many Night/knight One/won Where/wear	who whole eye people journey friend move improve Hour/our Quite/quiet Sea/see to/too/two	Says said busy pretty parents because beautiful laugh Here/hear Be/bee Bear/bare There/their/they're	Sure sugar shoe Mr Mrs (Ms) thought through Son/sun Hole/whole blue/blew
Year 3	**Autumn**		**Spring**		**Summer**	
	Autumn 1	**Autumn 2**	**Spring 1**	**Spring 2**	**Summer 1**	**Summer 2**
Objectives and words	Step 1:Words where 'dge' makes a /j/ sound badge, edge, bridge, dodge, fudge, ridge, smudge, judge, wedge, lodge Step 2: Words where 'ge' makes a /j/ sound change, charge, range,orange, hinge, strange, dungeon, sponge, pigeon, fringe	Step 7: Words where 'wr' makes a /r/ soundat the beginning of words write, wriggle, wrap, wrestle, written, wrecked, wrapped, wren, wrong, wrote Step 8: Words ending in 'le' table, apple, bottle, little,middle, bubble,	Step 13:Words where 'y' makes an /igh/ sound cry, fly, dry, try, reply,July, shy, spy, sky, why Step 14: Words where '-es' is added to words ending in 'y' tries, replies, cries, spies, supplies, flies, copies, babies, carries, lorries	Step 19: Words where '-er','-est' and '-ed' is added to words ending in 'e' nicer, writer, baker,looser, safer, simpler, hoped, loved, largest, closest Step 20:Words where '-ing' is added to single syllable words patting, humming, dropping, running,	Step 25:Words where the digraph 'ey' makes an /ee/ sound key, donkey, monkey, chimney, valley, trolley, journey, turkey, jockey, kidney Step 26:Words where 'a' makes an /o/ sound want, watch, wander, wand, quality, quad,	Step 31:Words that are homophones there, their, here, hear,see, sea, too, two, blue,blew Step 32: Words that are homophones or near homophones quiet, quite, bare, bear,sun, son, be, bee, night,knight Step 33:Words ending in '-tion'

	Step 3:Words where ‘g’ makes a /j/ sound gem, gym, giant, magic, giraffe, energy, digit, engine, religion, gentle Step 4:Words where ‘c’ makes a /s/ sound before ‘e’, ‘i’ and ‘y’ race, ice, cell, city, fancy, lace, space, circle, circus, rice Step 5: Words where ‘kn’ and ‘gn’ make a /n/ sound at the beginning of words knock, know, knee, knew, kneel, knit, knight, gnome, gnat, gnaw	cable,uncle, ankle, eagle Step 9: Words ending in ‘el’ camel, tunnel, jewel,travel, tinsel, squirrel, hazel, vowel, angel, towel Step 10: Words ending in ‘al’ metal, petal, capital, hospital, animal, equal, final, pedal, local, magical Step 11: Words ending in ‘il’ pencil, fossil, nostril, pupil, April, gerbil, lentil, evil, anvil, basil	Step 15:Words where ‘-ed’ is added to words ending in ‘y’ copied, replied, spied,fried, applied, relied, identified, multiplied, magnified, supplied Step 16:Words where ‘-er’ and ’-est’ are added to words ending in ‘y’ happier, happiest, angrier, angriest, drier, driest, tidier, tidiest, funnier, funniest Step 17: Words where ‘-ing’ is added to words ending in ‘e’ hiking, shining, joking, hoping, smiling, surprising, loving, writing, coming, caring	hopping, clapping, sitting, flipping, wrapping, slipping Step 21:Words where ‘-ed’ is added to single syllable words patted, hummed, dropped, clapped, clipped, wrapped, napped, ripped, drummed, dragged Step 22:Words where ‘a’ makes an /or/ sound all, ball, walk, call, talk, always, fall, small, also, bald Step 23:Words where ‘o’ makes an /u/ sound other, mother, brother, nothing, cover, money, some, dozen, wonder, done Step 24: Challenge Words last, past, father, class, grass, pass, plant, path, bath, rather Step 19: Words where ‘-er’,	wasps, squat, quantity, squash Step 27:Words where ‘or’ and‘ar’ make an /er/ or /or/ sound word, work, worm, world, worth, warm, war, towards, warn, warned Step 28: Words where ‘si’ and‘s’ makes an /zh/ sound television, treasure, usual, measure, pleasure, decision, vision, leisure, version, visual Step 29:Words ending in‘-ment’ and ‘-ness’ payment, enjoyment, agreement, achievement, adjustment, darkness, rudeness, sadness, greatness, kindness	station, fiction, motion, nation, education, action, injection, caption, fraction, competition Step 34: Words with an apostrophe for contraction can’t, didn’t, hasn’t, couldn’t, it’s, wasn’t, doesn’t, mustn’t, I’ll, she’d Step 35: Words with an apostrophe for possession Megan’s, Ravi’s, Cody’s, Sophie’s, Sam’s, child’s, boy’s, man’s, dog’s, lady’s

				'-est' and '-ed' is added to words ending in 'e'	Step 30:Words ending in '-ful' and '-less' careful, playful, thankful, helpful, wonderful, useless, careless, homeless, hopeless, spotless	
Challenge words	door, floor, poor, find, kind, mind, behind, child, children, because	wild, climb, most, only, both, old, cold, hold, gold, told	every, everybody, even, great, break, steak, pretty, beautiful, after, fast	nicer, writer, baker, looser, safer, simpler, hoped, loved, largest, closest		whole, any, many, clothes, busy, people, water, again, half, hour
Year 4	**Autumn**		**Spring** Step 20: Words where '-ing' is added to single syllable words		**Summer**	
	Autumn 1	**Autumn 2**	**Spring 1**		**Summer 1**	**Summer 2**
Objectives and words	Step 1: Words where the digraph 'ou' makes an /ow/ sound mouth, sprout, around, sound, spout, ouch, hound, trout, found, proud Step 2: Words where the digraph 'ou' makes a /u/ sound touch, double, country, trouble, young, cousin, enough, couple,	Step 7: Words with the prefix 're-' redo, return, refresh, redecorate, reappear, review, replay, reaction, rebound, revenge Step 8: Words with the prefix 'dis-' disappoint, disobey, disappear, disapprove, disable, dislike, dislocate,	Step 13: Words with the digraph 'ai' and tetragraph 'aigh' straight, strainer, fainted, claimed, waist, snail, painter, chained, failure, waiter Step 14: Words with the digraph 'ei' and tetragraph 'eigh' freight, vein, weigh, reins, eight, eighteen, reign, veil, neighbour, sleigh	Step 19: Words ending in 'al' arrival, burial, comical, magical, emotional, national, personal, optional, survival, tropical Step 20: Words ending in 'le' battle, settle, article, humble, struggle, terrible, possible, example, capable, adjustable Step 21:Words ending in '-ly'	Step 25: Words with the suffix '-er' teacher, stretcher, dispatcher, catcher, butcher, richer, scorcher, preacher, cruncher, watcher Step 26: Words where the digraph 'ch' makes a /k/ sound scheme, chorus, echo, chemist, character, stomach, monarch, school, anchor, chaos	Step 31: Words ending in '-sion' vision, confusion, division, television, invasion, erosion, collision, decision, fusion, revision Step 32: Challenge Words special, strange, difficult, important, length, perhaps, position, pressure, question, purpose Step 33: Revision Words

	encourage, flourish Step 3:Words where 'y' makes an /i/ sound symbol, gym, myth, synonym, Egypt, lyrics, pyramid, system, mystery, gymnastics Step 4:Words ending in '-sure' treasure, measure, leisure, pleasure, pressure, exposure, enclosure, closure, disclosure, composure Step 5:Words ending in '-ture' adventure, future, picture, nature, creature, furniture, capture, sculpture, fracture, mixture	disadvantage, dislodge, disagree Step 9:Words with the prefix 'mis-' mistake, mislead, misbehave, misspell, misplace, misread, mistrust, misunderstanding, misuse, mislaid Step 10: Words where '-ing', '-er' and '-ed' are added to multisyllabic words developing, developed, limiting, covering, limited, gardening, gardener, covered, listening, listened Step 11: Words where '-ing', '-en' and '-ed' are added to multisyllabic words forgetting, forgotten, beginning, propelled, preferred, permitted,	Step 15:Words where the digraph 'ey' makes an /ai/ sound obey, osprey, prey, disobey, they, convey, they, survey, surveyor, conveyor, grey Step 16:Words with the suffix '–ly' calmly, exactly, deadly, bravely, boldly, gladly, deeply, clearly, hourly, quickly Step 17:Words that are homophones great, main, grown, missed, meet, grate, mane, groan, mist, meat	where the base word ends in 'le' gently, simply, humbly, nobly, durably, terribly, incredibly, responsibly, wrinkly, possibly Step 22: Words ending in'-ly' where the base word endsin '-ic' basically, frantically, logically, tragically, magically, publicly, dramatically, historically, automatically, specifically Step 23:Words ending in '-ly'; exceptions truly, slyly, fully, duly, shyly, wholly, drily, coyly, happily, daily Step 24: Challenge Words address, mention, arrive, occasionally, certainly, probably, experience, reign, history, sentence	Step 27:Words ending in'-gue' and '-que' vague, league, plague, fatigue, antique, dialogue, unique, grotesque, plaque, mosque Step 28:Words where the digraph 'sc' makes a /s/ sound science, scene, discipline, scissors, ascends, scented, fascinate, scenery, crescent, descend Step 29:Words that are homophones ball, bawl, break, brake, male, mail, fair, fare, berry, bury	exactly, bravely, pleasure, dislocate, island, decide, disadvantage, survey, ordinary, promise Step 34: Revision Words freight, hourly, missed, scented, suppose, plaque, grotesque, daily, descend, automatically Step 35: Revision Words teacher, scheme, history, mention, bawl, crescent, eighteen, regular, mane, disable Step 36: Revision Words disappear, specifically, reaction, committed, misunderstanding, forbidden, capable, neighbour, personal, confusion

		regretting, committed, forbidden, equipped				
Challenge words	actual, bicycle, answer, circle, earth, enough, island, fruit, often, popular	centre, disappear, heart, minute, regular, decide, early, learn, notice, therefore	build, describe, imagine, library, natural, ordinary, promise, recent, suppose, weight	patted, hummed, dropped, clapped, clipped, wrapped, napped, ripped, drummed, dragged	accidentally, breathe, century, eight, consider, guard, heard, peculiar, possible, quarter	
Year 5	**Autumn**		**Spring**		**Summer**	
	Autumn 1	**Autumn 2**	**Spring 1**	**Spring 2**	**Summer 1**	**Summer 2**

Objectives and words	Step 1: Words ending in '-tious' and '-ious' ambitious, amphibious, curious, devious, fictitious, infectious, notorious, nutritious, repetitious, obvious Step 2: Words ending in '-cious' atrocious, conscious, delicious, ferocious, gracious, luscious, malicious, precious, spacious, suspicious Step 3: Words ending in '-cial' artificial, beneficial, crucial, especially, facial, glacial, judicial, multiracial, official, special Step 4: Words ending in '-tial' circumstantial, confidential,	Step 7: Words ending in '-an abundant, brilliant, constant, distant, dominant, elegant, fragrant, ignorant, tolerant, vacant Step 8: Words ending in '-ance' and '-ancy abundance, abundancy, brilliance, dominancy, elegance, extravagance, hesitancy, relevancy, tolerance, vacancy Step 9: Words ending in '-ent' and '-ence' competence, confidence, decent, eloquence, emergent, frequent, innocence, intelligence, transparent, violent	Step 13: Words ending in '-able', where the 'e' from the root word remains agreeable, changeable, irreplaceable, knowledgeable, manageable, microwaveable, noticeable, rechargeable, replaceable, salvageable Step 14: Words that are adverbs of time afterwards, earlier, eventually, finally, immediately, previously, recently, tomorrow, whilst, yesterday Step 15: Words with suffixes where the base word ends in '-fer'	Step 19: Words where 'au' makes an /or/ sound automatic, August, launch, haul, astronaut, cause, author, applaud, autumn, audience Step 20: Words ending in'-tion' invention, injection, action, hesitation, completion, stagnation nomination, migration, communication, selection Step 21: Words ending in '-sion' expression, discussion, confession, permission, admission, impression, obsession, procession, omission, concussion Step 22: Words ending in '-cian' musician, magician, electrician, politician,	Step 25: Words that are homophones or near homophones advice, advise, device, devise, licence, license, practice, practise, prophecy, prophesy Step 26: Words that are homophones aisle, isle, allowed, aloud, altar, alter, ascent, assent, farther, father Step 27: Words that are homophones bridal, bridle, guessed, guest, heard, herd, morning, mourning, passed, past. Step 28: Words that are homophones or near homophones cereal, serial, complement, compliment, principal, principle,	Step 31: Words with hyphens co-author, co-operate, coordinate, co-own, re-educate, re-energise, re-enter, re-evaluate, re-examine, re-explain Step 32: Challenge Words afterwards, amateur, ancient, changeable, deceive, doubt, knight, referring, sincere, immediate Step 33: Revision Words accompany, achieve, advice, affect, aisle, bought, cereal, definitely, guessed, though Step 34: Revision Words conscious, constant, controversy,

	essential, impartial, influential, potential, preferential, residential, substantial, torrential Step 5: Words ending in '-cial' and '-tial' commercial, controversial, controversially, financial, financially, initial, initially, palatial, provincial, spatial	Step 10: Words ending in '-able' and '-ible' comfortable, dependable, enjoyable, horrible, incredible, possible, reasonable, reliable, terrible, understandable Step 11: Words ending in '-ably' and '-ibly' comfortably, dependably, horribly, incredibly, legibly, possibly, reliably, sensibly, terribly, visibly	conferring, difference, inference, preference, preferred, referee, reference, referring, transference, transferring Step 16: Words with 'silent' first letters knife, knight, knowledge, knuckle, mnemonic, pterodactyl, wreath, wreckage, wrestler, writer Step 17: Words with 'silent' letters ascend, autumn, build, disciple, doubt, island, lamb, receipt, solemn, thistle	mathematician, technician, optician, beautician, physician, dietician Step 23: Words that are adverbs of manner reluctantly, quickly, generously, unexpectedly, gently, curiously, furiously, seriously, victoriously, courteously Step 24: Challenge Words surprise, separate, group, height, potatoes, though, particular, through, caught, woman	stationary, stationery, wary, weary Step 29: Words that are homophones or near homophones affect, effect, dessert, desert, draft, draught, precede, proceed, who's, whose	comfortably, earlier, elegance, fictitious, frequent, manageable, understandable Step 35: Revision Words ascend, awkward, conscience, dough, probably, receive, species, thought, transferring, writer

Challenge words	appreciate, cemetery, conscious, convenience, environment, immediately, language, sufficient, thorough, vegetable	accommodate, available, controversy, dictionary, marvellous, opportunity, secretary, sincerely, suggest, twelfth	ancient, amateur, awkward, criticise, equipment, excellent, foreign, pronunciation, symbol, yacht	other, mother, brother, nothing, cover, money, some, dozen, wonder, done	achieve, apparent, bargain, bruise, community, mischievous, muscle, necessary, vehicle, system	Revision: aloud, community, complement, desert, device, heard, muscle, precede, principle, stationary
Year 6	**Autumn**		**Spring** **Step 24:** Challenge Words		**Summer**	

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Objectives and words disatrous	Step 1: Challenge Words accommodate, available, competition, determined, existence, identity, muscle, prejudice, rhyme, suggest Step 2: Challenge Words accompany, average, conscience, develop, explanation, immediately, necessary, privilege, rhythm, symbol Step 3: Challenge Words according, awkward, conscious, dictionary, familiar, individual, neighbour, profession, sacrifice, system aggressive, bruise, convenience, embarrass, forty, interrupt, occupy, pronunciation,	Step 7: Challenge Words: ancient, cemetery, criticise, equipped, government, leisure, opportunity, recognise, sincerely, variety Step 8: Challenge Words: apparent, committee, curiosity, especially, guarantee, lightning, parliament, recommend, soldier, vegetable Step 9: Challenge Words: appreciate, communicate, definite, exaggerate, harass, marvellous, persuade, relevant, stomach, vehicle antonym, crystal, lyrics, mystery, oxygen, rhythm, symbol, symptom, system, typical	Step 13:Adding the prefix '-over' overbalance, overcoat, overcook, overlooked, overpaid, overreact, overslept, overthrow, overtired, overturned Step 14:Words with the suffix '-ful' beautiful, boastful, doubtful, faithful, fanciful, fearful, merciful, pitiful, plentiful, thankful Step 15:Words that can be nouns and verbs contest, freeze, impact, increase, object, permit, produce, silence, subject, transport Step 16:Words with an /oa/ sound spelled 'ou' or 'ow'	Step 19: Words with the /f/ sound spelled 'ph' alphabet, elephant, dolphin, graph, pamphlet, pheasant, phone, photo, physical, sphere Step 20: Words with origins in other countries and languages ballet, blizzard, bungalow, easel, gymkhana, hoist, origin, pyjamas, restaurant, veranda Step 21: Words with unstressed vowel sounds company, definitely, desperate, environment, explanatory, jewellery, poisonous, reference, secretary, temperature Step 22:	Step 25: Words with the suffix '-ably' adorably, believably, changeably, comfortably, considerably, dependably, noticeably, reasonably, tolerably, valuably Step 26: Words with the suffix '-ible' forcible, horrible, incredible, legible, possible, responsible, reversible, sensible, terrible, visible Step 27:Words with the suffix '-ibly' forcibly, horribly, incredibly, legibly, possibly, responsibly, reversibly, sensibly, terribly, visibly Step 28: Words ending in'-ent' and '–ence'	Step 31: Adjectives used to describe settings bustling, magnificent, majestic, noiseless, picturesque, regal, sinister, spectacular, tranquil, unsightly Step 32: Adjectives used to describe feelings apprehensive, delighted, despondent, euphoric, incensed, jittery, optimistic, positive, sanguine, terrified Step 33: Adjectives to describe characters amiable, courageous, delightful, disagreeable, exquisite, gargantuan, grotesque, obnoxious, repugnant, valiant

	shoulder, thorough Step 4: Challenge Words circumstantial, confidential, essential, impartial, influential, potential, preferential, residential, substantial, torrential Step 5: Challenge Words commercial, controversial, controversially, financial, financially, initial, initially, palatial, provincial, spatial Step 6: Challenge Words: bargain, controversy, foreign, interfere, nuisance, programme, secretary, temperature amateur, category, correspond,	Step 10: Challenge Words attached, community, desperate, excellent, hindrance, mischievous, physical, restaurant, sufficient, yacht Step 11: Words with the short vowel sound /i/ spelled 'y' antonym, crystal, lyrics, mystery, oxygen, rhythm, symbol, symptom, system, typical, Step 12: Words with the long vowel sound /igh/ spelled 'y' apply, hygiene, hyphen, identify, multiply, occupy, python, recycle, rhyme,, supply	blown, known, mould, poultry, shallow, shoulder, smoulder, soul, thrown, window Step 17:Words with a 'soft c' spelled 'ce' celebrate, cemetery, certificate, deceased, December, hindrance, necessary, nuisance, prejudice, sacrifice Step 18:Words with theprefixes 'dis-', 'un-','over-' and 'im-' disappointed, dissatisfied, dissimilar, impatient, overreact, overrule, overseas, unnatural, unnecessary, unsure	Words with 'cial'/shuhl/ after a Vowel antisocial, artificial, beneficial, crucial, facial, official, racial, social, special, superficial Step 23: Words with 'tial'/shul/ confidential, essential, influential, martial, partial, potential, sequential, spatial, substantial, Torrential Step 24: Words beginning with 'acc' accentuate, access, accommodate, accompany, accomplish, accost, accrue, accumulate, accuracy, accuse	convenience, convenient, difference, different, evidence, evident, excellence, excellent, silence, silent. Step 29: Words ending in'-er', '-or' and '-ar' calendar, computer, customer, interior, particular, popular, radiator, shoulder, soldier, superior Step 30: Adverbs synonymous with determination continually, determinedly, diligently, intently, persistently, purposefully, relentlessly, repeatedly, resolutely, tenaciously	Step 34: Grammar Vocabulary 1 adverb, ambiguity, bracket, clause, cohesion, determiner, modal, parenthesis, pronoun, relative Step 35: Grammar Vocabulary 2 active, antonym, colon, ellipsis, hyphen, object, passive, punctuation, subject, synonym Step 36:Mathematical Vocabulary addition, calculation, circumference, diameter, division, horizontal, multiplication, parallel, subtraction, vertical

	environment, frequently					