

## Spelling lessons at Market Harborough C of E Academy



- Children study spellings from lists in line with the National Curriculum.
- Medium Term Spelling Plans are followed which include retrieval words.
- Children are taught as a whole class and study the same word list.
- Word lists are grouped by pattern and include at least one Common Exception Word (CEW) There are between 4 - 6 words in a word list.
- A4 landscape books are used to complete 'look, cover, write, check' and supporting activities.
- Activities may follow a Word Study approach, requiring the child to sort, compare and spot patterns in word lists.
- Children take a weekly spelling test that is self-assessed using PPP.
- Spellings from the previous week are sent home as homework.

### Skeleton outline of a Spelling lesson

Retrieval of previously learnt words.
My turn, your turn pronunciation for whole word list.
Identify focus words and share their meaning and context through sentences, images and modelling.
Break down focus words into phonemes and / or syllables.
Activity - sorting, comparing, pattern spotting, using the alternative hand, in chalk, smallest handwriting, bubble writing, as a spelling scribble, in a pyramid, orally rehearsed in a sentence, written in a sentence.
Complete 'look, cover, write, check' of whole word list.
Afl; discuss observations, share sentences, self / peer assess using purple pen.