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Dear Parent/Carer

To improve spelling across the school we have signed up to Spelling Shed, an online resource for teachers and children.

The Spelling Shed helps children to practise and learn their spellings via a simple game. The game gives four different degrees of support in the form of difficulty modes; Easy, Medium, Hard and Extreme. Higher levels allow a higher score to be achieved but children can practise as much as they like on lower levels before trying to gain high scores. The scores achieved give a league position and each class has it's own league position within a school league. Spelling Shed also allows for homework and we will be setting spelling homework using this. Your child's teacher will set lists of words that your child should practise each week and we will monitor their progress. We will also send home paper copies of the spellings and would encourage children to do these alongside the online game.

Your child has been given their login information and they can access our online game via <http://play.spellingshed.com>. The website can be accessed via the internet using a laptop or tablet for free, or via an app (2.99). You do not need to download the app as children can complete everything they need using the online version. The children have been shown how to log on and how to access the homework that has been set.

If you have any questions regarding the website or homework, please come and speak to your child's class teacher or myself.

Mrs Dearing
English Leader

