Strategies to help spellings stick!

Below are four strategies we are introducing into our spelling sessions to help spellings stick. We are sharing them with families so you can help your child to practise their spellings in a more practical way.

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Triangle Words

Choose your word and write it correctly at the top of the page. Then add the next letter in the sequence until you have written out the full word. e.g.

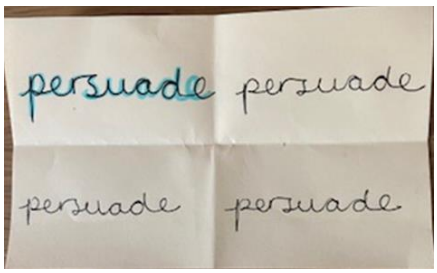
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Sticky Note Spelling

Fold a large sticky note or small piece of paper into four quadrants.

- Write a focus word in the top left-hand quadrant - then trace over the word with a coloured pen or pencil.
- Copy the word in the top right-hand quadrant.
- Folding the top two quadrants underneath the bottom two.
- Write from memory the word in the bottom left-hand quadrant.
- Finally, write the focus word in the bottom right-hand quadrant, this time with your eyes closed!



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Colourful Words

Using only two coloured pens/pencils. This strategy allows you to concentrate on the focus or 'tricky' part of a word. Write out the word, changing your pen/pencil when you come to the focus prefix, suffix or tricky part, e.g.

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Read, Turn, Write, Check

Read the word displayed on a board or flash card. Turning the word away, then **write** the word from memory on a whiteboard or in your spelling journal. Finally, look back at the original word to **check** the spelling and correct if necessary.

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