Supporting Spelling



A Parent's Pack Year 2

Why is spelling valued at John of Gaunt Infant?

Spelling is a key part of becoming a successful writer. At John of Gaunt we value the teaching and learning of spelling because it;

- Helps children to write more fluently, dedicating more of their energies towards creative writing (rather than the mechanical process of spelling)
- Gives our learners strategies to attempt to encounter unfamiliar words, enriching their vocabulary
- Gives children opportunities to investigate and understand the true meaning of words
- Develops confident writers
- Develops confident readers
- Supports children with dyslexic tendencies

Year 2 Spellings

Overview of the whole year

Children should be aiming to read and spell the words below. Your child could keep a record of the words they can spell by colouring in each word brick as they become confident in spelling each word. An extra challenge could be to write the words as part of a sentence.

door	floor	poor	because	find
kind	mind	behind	child	children
wild	climb	most	only	both
old	cold	gold	hold	told
every	everybody	even	great	break
steak	pretty	beautiful	after	fast
last	past	father	class	grass
pass	plant	path	bath	hour
move	prove	improve	sure	sugar
eye	could	should	would	who
whole	any	many	clothes	busy
people	water	again	half	money
Mr	Mrs	parents	Christmas	does
other	two	ball	anyone	over
wasn't	through	once	son	come
mother	above	here	buy	brought
someone	another	walk	everyone	thought
worse	love	wear	caught	

Spelling games to help your child at home

Look, cover, write, check

- Choose a spelling word
- Look at it
- Cover it over with a piece of paper or your hand
- Write the spelling again next to the word
- Uncover the spelling to check if you have got it right.

Online games

Topmarks has a variety of interactive spelling games to play:

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ english-games/5-7years/words-and-spelling

Squiggly Spelling Words

Choose five spelling words. You are going to write them two times. Write them first in squiggly letters. Then write them once more in your best handwriting.

Spelling Rainbows

Choose your three favourite crayons to rainbow write your spelling words.

Spelling Sort

Think of a way to sort your spelling words. Write your word sort neatly. You may want to sort your words by: syllables, beginning sounds, nouns, verbs or adjectives. The possibilities are endless! Have fun!

ABC order

Choose ten spelling words. Write your words in alphabetical order. Make sure you look at the first letter of each word. If the first letter is the same, look at the second letter.

Connect the Dots

Write ten of your spellings words in dots. Then connect the dots by tracing over them with a coloured pencil.

Mud writing

Can you find a stick and write five of your spelling words in some mud?

Water Words

Use a paintbrush and water to write your spelling words. You could do this outside on a sunny day, can you spell ten words before they dry up?

Bubble letters

Write six of your spelling words in bubble letters neatly. After you write your words in bubble letters, colour them in.

Guess who

Materials

Paper

Pencil

Masking tape

Word list

Write some words on paper.
Read the words with your child.
Ask them to tape a word to
your back. You have to ask a
question e.g. 'Does it begin
with w?' to guess the word.
Now your child takes a turn to
answer your questions. Tape a
word to their back.

Natural letters

Can you find natural objects, such as leaves and sticks, to spell out different spelling words?

Spelling Shapes

Write five of your spelling words neatly. Then go back and draw a circle around consonants and draw a square around the vowels.

And don't forget...

Hangman
Word searches
Junior scrabble
Boggle
Lotto
Word snap