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Spelling Workshop – Year 5

Dear Families,

This academic year, we are launching a brand-new way of teaching children how to spell and we are delighted to invite you to our launch workshops.

How will the teaching of spelling be different?

Our new approach means that we will focus on how words are built (not just how they sound or memorising them).

We'll be focusing on **etymology** and **morphology** in spelling, which means understanding where words come from (the historical roots) and how words are made up of smaller parts (called **morphemes)**.
This builds upon what children learn in phonics, where we explore the patterns of sounds in language.

When are the workshops?

Year 5's workshop is on Monday 2nd November 2026 at 2.15pm-3.15pm.

How can children practise spelling now?

With our new approach, we have access to Grammarsaurus' exciting spelling game, called Morphs.

Every child in Year 2-Year 6 will have a login. This game will go live for children once we have held our family workshops.

How can I let you know that I want to come?

Please fill out the attached and return it to school with your child. Unfortunately, due to space, we can only accommodate one adult per child. We are sorry but we will share all of the information with families afterwards.

We look forward to seeing you!

Kind regards,

Mrs Boardman

Deputy Head Teacher

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Child's name: …….. Class: Year 5

I will be attending the Spelling Workshop on Monday 2nd November 2026 at 2.15pm-3.15pm.

Name: …….. Relationship to child: ……..

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