



Driffield Junior School



Dear parents/carers

Spelling is important in children's writing and we are going to help pupils improve their spelling by holding a termly spelling event. This will consist of a wide range of spelling activities that enable children to practise their spellings in fun and different ways and will then be followed by a spelling bee.

Our Driffield Junior School 'Spelling Bee' will be a competition that is held in each class and will test children on the spellings that they have been learning. Children will be invited to spell out words correctly though they will have the opportunity to write them down first if they wish. The child in each class who is able to spell the most words correctly will be presented with a £5 WHSmith token.

Not all of us find spelling easy so children will only be tested on words they have already learned. To help prepare for this event, children will be given a list of these spellings before Christmas so they can practise over the holidays. This means that children will get different spellings and so all will be working at a challenging but accessible level.

Children will not be forced to take part in the spelling bee but we hope that this personalised approach will encourage as many as possible.

Thank you for your support

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