



Spelling Shed Scheme

At Madley, we use Spelling Shed in our approach to spelling and as a part of our children's Spelling Toolkit. This scheme has been created following key National Curriculum objectives and will take children through the statutory and non-statutory spelling lists in each age phase.

The whole-school scheme of work for spelling gives 100% coverage of the English National Curriculum, including all statutory words and spelling rules. It is broken up into a weekly progression with a Spelling Shed list for each week.

Spelling Shed enables us to:

- Create unlimited customised lists for each class and specific groups of children.
- Use tablet and mobile games for students to practise spelling for homework.
- Manage our pupil records.
- Set and monitor homework assignments, for example weekly spelling lists.
- Play Hive games that allow all pupils to play alongside each other as an alternative for a weekly spelling test.

Each online 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, to gain repeated recognition, before trying to gain high scores. The scores achieved give a league position and each class has its own league position within a school league and our world league.

Spelling Shed also allows for homework and whole-class "Hive" games as a more interactive form of a spelling test. Your child's teacher will set lists of words that your child should practise and will monitor their progress. In addition to playing the online games, children should also attempt to write each spelling.

We understand children do not necessarily have unlimited access to technological devices at home and if this is the case then please do ask class teachers for a paper copy of the weekly spelling lists.

When playing the online games, recent studies have indicated that children's screen time should be monitored; we recommend a limit of 20 to 30 minutes.

Thank you for your continued support in improving attainment and progress in spelling.

<https://play.spellingshed.com>