Dear Parents:

Spelling is a very important skill. Each week I will distribute a new list of spelling words to each student. The list as well as the activity options will also be posted on the classroom website just incase the list is misplaced. We will have a Spelling Test on the Friday of each week to assess students’ spelling accuracy. On the weeks with less than four days, there will be no spelling.

In order to practice this skill, for homework, I have required the children complete at least three activities. Children may choose any three from the menu. These activities will reinforce their phonetic and sight word comprehension. Please make sure to sign off on each activity completed in the homework log. An adult signing the log confirms that your child did the assignment and will add accountability. The assignments are due by Friday. I also recommend giving your child a pre-test Thursday evening in preparation for Friday’s test. If you choose to encourage your children to do more than what is required, children do not need to hand in the extra assignments.

*Remember to check work for correct spelling AND neatness*

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Padgett
4th Grade

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**Spelling Homework Activities**

Explore different activities each week in order to challenge yourself and have fun!

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<th>Type your spelling word list on the computer. <strong>Play</strong> with different fonts and sizes. (Make sure to use “Spell Check” when you’re done!)</th>
<th>Choose 5 of your spelling words and write five alliterative phrases or sentences. An alliteration uses the same initial letter. Be sure to underline your spelling words. Examples: Deep down in the dungeon tiny town sheep shout</th>
<th>Cut letters out of magazines and newspapers to spell the words. Glue them to another piece of paper. <strong>apple</strong> <strong>banana</strong> <strong>cantaloupe</strong> <strong>date</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Make flash cards of each word on your list to help you study</strong></td>
<td>Choose 5 of your spelling words. List these words on the left side of your paper. Then write the definitions of each word on the right side of the paper but mix them up so a partner would be able to match the words and definition. DO NOT SOLVE.</td>
<td>Write your spelling words; use a blue colored pencil for consonants and a red colored pencil for vowels.</td>
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<td><strong>Write your words in A B C order</strong></td>
<td><strong>WRITE A STORY, SONG, JOKES, OR A POEM INCLUDING ALL OF YOUR WEEKLY WORDS.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Write sentences using one Spelling word in each.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Example:</strong> 1. <em>cholos</em> = _______ a place where you learn</td>
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<td>Write a synonym and an antonym for each Spelling word</td>
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Assign a monetary amount to each letter of the alphabet. Figure out how much each of your spelling words is worth.

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**Extra Options:**

3 Way Words - Write your words three ways, really big, really small, and in your best handwriting.

Pretest - Take a pretest. Check over each of your words. Write any incorrect words 3 times each.

Crossword Puzzle - Create a crossword puzzle on puzzlemaker.com. Solve it.

Silly Riddle Words - Write a riddle for each of your words. Include a clue about how the word is spelled. Solve your riddles. Ex. The word is 4 letters long. The first letter is b and it rhymes with shark.

Word Chains - Write down each spelling word. Change one letter to make a new word. Challenge: See if you can go back to your original word. Ex. cake, lake, late, date, mate, make, cake

Hidden Words - Write your words and find hidden words in your words. Ex. that - hat - at

Cursive - Write your words 1x in print 4x’s each in your best cursive handwriting

Sort your word list by parts of speech

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**Make spelling pyramids with your words**

- B
- Boo
- Book

**Create a picture using your spelling words, rather than lines. Keep writing your list of words until a picture forms.**

- square
- s t t
- sour
- ask

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