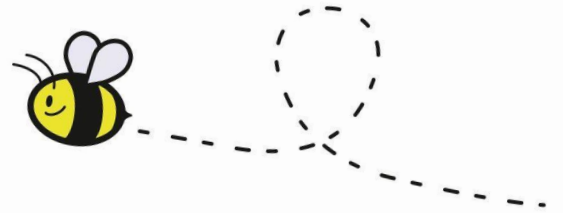


**St Mary's School**  
**Annual Fun Spelling Bee**  
**2020**



St Mary's  
Spelling Bee  
2020

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# spelling bee 2020

## What is a spelling bee?

This is a verbal spelling competition the origins of which are deeply embedded in American culture and education.

We are holding another Spelling Bee in January for our classes with a School Spelling Bee on 31st Jan. Prior to this we are asking all of our children to learn the attached spellings.

Each class will hold its own fun mini spelling bee initially and then some children will go forward to the whole school spelling bee (31st Jan). The words in this spelling bee quiz will be a mixture of the words from the national list and additional words appropriate for their age. As you can imagine, the main aim of our spelling bee is for all of the children to improve their ability to spell in written form. We plan for this to be a fun event where all of our children enjoy exploring new words.

We are very aware of the challenges some of our children face especially those with dyslexia. We are encouraging families to go through these words and progressively highlight words over time as the children learn the words allocated to them. The children can then be encouraged and see the trickier words to focus on. We are suggesting families think of creative ways to remember tricky spellings.

Some children may want to get creative and draw and use a range of ways to remember and write words. It will be no good leaving this until the last minute. It is also helpful to repeat these out aloud, visualise words, learn the meaning of the words etc.

We will of course support the children in learning these in school as well, this partnership will dovetail to ensure the children really have fun learning.

Let's have a great January Challenge and enjoy learning new words!



Name

Class

Verging on  
impossible



spelling  
bee   
2020

permanent, sufficient, broach, customary, especially  
materially, cemetery, leisure, accredited, fraternally  
subterranean, apparatus, portmanteau, politician

miscellaneous, mortgage, equipped, exaggerate,  
amateur, rhythm, playwright,

committee, parliament, definitely, orchestra,  
onomatopoeia, diarrhoea,

accommodate, acquaintance, camouflage,

fluorescent, embarrass, foreign, hierarchy,  
weird , mischievous, synonymous

HINT: Work out the words you know and highlight them. Then concentrate on words on a particular line you don't know. Keep going until you have learned as many as you can!



Name

Class

Mega

Challenging



2020

iron, health, direct, calm, headache, occurred

final, walk, circus, slippery, lodge, badger  
rough, tough, enough, cough, though, dough,

moment, present, patient, student

infectious, nutritious, pretentious, fictitious,

superstitious, fractious, vexatious,

delicious, vicious, spacious, gracious,

creature, nastiest, extinguish, audience, knuckle,

cemetery, leisure, government, environment,

parliament, monarchy, extremely, politician,

delightful, parallel, possibility, potential

differing, offering, suffering, preferring



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Name

Class

Mega Hard



mistake, flake, pair, while, white, skate, stayed, played

yoke, joke, island, nerve, join, coin, fare,

manure, cure, sure, pure,

orchestra, ochre, equally, individual, merely, judge, fudge,

familiar, foreign, forty, frequently, government,  
guarantee, harass, hindrance, February, library, cushion  
category, cemetery, committee, communicate,

opportunity, parliament,

vegetable, vehicle, yacht,

restaurant, rhyme, rhythm, sacrifice

sentence, absence, obvious, anxious, nervous

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Name

Class

Uber Tricky



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beautiful, island, palm, walk, catch,  
dough, rough, miserable, vegetable, avoidable,

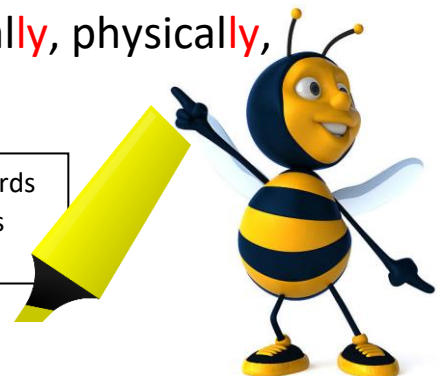
ancient, delicious, special, optician,  
accident, eccentric, physical, symphony, dolphin  
stationary, patient, delicious, furious, anxious

cancelled, patrolled, travelled, audible, audience, autumn  
badger, lodger, judge, manure, sure, island,

appreciate, familiar, source, immediate, breathe

naturally, normally, occasionally, personally, physically,

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Name

Class

St. Mary's School

Kirkby Lonsdale

# Vicious Spellings



# 2020

because, beautiful, island, yacht,

sight, bright, fright, south, while, white,

badge, judge, manure, cure, sure, sugar

brought, rough, cough, tough,

palm, calm, circuit, circus, iron,

though, notice, quarter, length, library, famous,

style, bargain, copies, hobbies, guest, guardian, policy,

February, Wednesday, library, ache,

promise, therefore, opposite, ordinary, perhaps, pressure,

HINT: Work out the words you know and highlight them. Then concentrate on words on a particular line you don't know. Keep going until you have learned as many as you can!





Name

Class



Very Hard

2020

good from shape time crime

shoe any door one

once people should eye

time float who while

judge budge badger

sure pure might sight

something beautiful half every

island February Wednesday

money calm walk talk

HINT: Work out the words you know and highlight them. Then concentrate on words on a particular line you don't know. Keep going until you have learned as many as you can!





Name

Class

St. Mary's School

Kirkby Lonsdale

Mega Hard



see

can

ship

frog

rain

been

all

ice

bag

clap

thorn

truck

poke

time

air

fox

bed

Dad

say

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the

sure

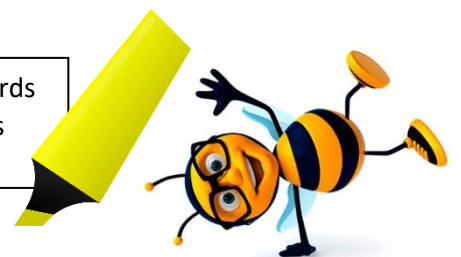
queen

stick

eat

mice

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Name

Class

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Kirkby Lonsdale

Tricky

Spellings



sat      pin      pat      hip

dog      mat      ship      bed

hen      cot      put      stop

pig      the      bag      buzz

