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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Spelling Shed

Spelling, vocabulary and phonics are critical foundation skills that help your child with reading fluency as well as reading comprehension and writing.

This week, we are launching our use of the Spelling Shed app.

Spelling Shed provides the children with a game-like format that helps to build the children's confidence in spelling as well as provides the teachers with the tools to track progress and spot gaps in learning.

From this week, the children from Years 1-6 will be given their login details to access Spelling Shed and will have a lesson in school to show them how to access the games. Each week, teachers will set specific spellings that are practised through the games on the site and are then tested at the end of the week. The date of the spelling tests differs slightly across Year groups, so check with your class teacher if you're unsure.

As this is a new program to the school, there are undoubtedly going to be some issues along the way but hopefully the following guidance will support you.

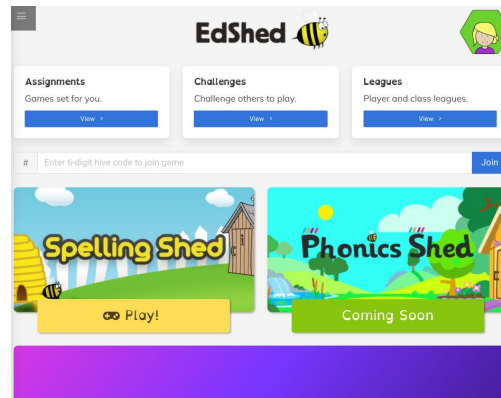
Good luck and have fun!

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Spelling Shed Guidance

1. Log into the website - <https://play.edshed.com/en-gb>
2. You should see

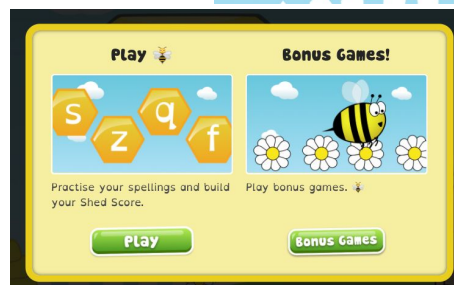
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3. Click onto the Spelling Shed 'Play' button.
4. The children choose their level



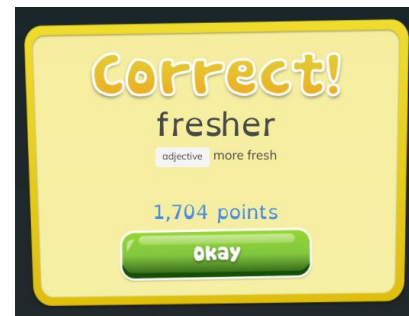
5. Click on Play then choose the difficulty.



6. The program then reads the spelling out loud for the children to type.



- Once the children have typed in the word, the press the green tick in the bottom right. The program will tell you if the word has been spelt correctly or not, giving you points depending on the speed and accuracy of the spelling.



- Once you have completed the game, you will be presented with an overview of the spellings completed.



- There are other games such as 'Buzz' words, Bee Keeper and Missing Words.

