Progression in writing:

SPELLING

Progression in Spelling: EYFS – Year 6

Spelling	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3 and Year 4	Year 5 and Year 6
concept	Children at ELD will:	Children should be taught to spell:	Children should be taught to spell:	Children should be taught to spell:	Children should be taught to spell:
Words		common exception words (CEW) compound words e.g. football, laptop, playground days of the week , numbers to 20	common exception words (CEW)	words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 3 and 4 (pg 64)	words from the National Curriculum word list for Years 5 and 6 (pg 71)
Phonics	 Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters. Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others. 	 VC words CVC words with short vowels CVC words with long vowels words with adjacent consonants words with consonant digraphs and some vowel digraphs / trigraphs alternative spellings for vowel phonemes e.g /ai/, /ay/, /a-e/ new consonant spellings 'ph' and 'wh' e.g. dolphin, alphabet, which, wheel words ending in -y e.g. very, happy, funny 	 homophones and near homophones e.g. there/their/ they're, hear/here, see/ sea words with alternative pronunciations from Letters and Sounds Phase 5 	 the /i/ sound spelt 'y' elsewhere than at the end of words e.g. myth, pyramid, gym words with the /ai/ sound spelt 'ei', 'eigh', or 'ey' e.g. vein, eight words containing the /u/ sound spelt 'ou' e.g. double, trouble homophones and near homophones e.g. affect/ effect, berry/bury, fair/fare, male/mail 	 words containing the letter- string 'ough' e.g. bought, rough, cough, through, although, thorough, plough homophones and other words that are often confused e.g. practise/practice, advise/advice, past/passed
Rules and Conventions		 words ending 'ff', 'll', 'ss', 'zz' and 'ck' (Usually after a short vowel letter in short words) the /ng/ sound spelt n before k words ending in 'tch' (/ch/ sound after a short vowel is usually 'tch') plurals of nouns adding -s and -es to words verbs where no change is needed to the root word: adding endings -ing, -ed, -er adjectives where no change is needed to the root word: adding -er and -est 	 words with the /j/ sound spelt as 'ge' and 'dge' (end of words) and 'g' (elsewhere in words) words with the /s/ sound spelt 'c' before 'e', 'i', 'y' words ending -le, -el, -al and - il adding -ies to nouns and verbs ending in 'y' adding -ed, -ing, -er, -est to a root word ending in 'y' with a consonant before it adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -y to words ending in 'e' with a consonant before it adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words of one syllable ending in a single letter after a short vowel 		words with the /ee/ sound spelt 'ei' after 'c' e.g. receive, receipt, ceiling plus exceptions protein and seize

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Root Words and Affixes		words with the addition of the prefix un	 words with the suffixes -ment, - ness, -ful, -less and -ly words ending in -tion 	 adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable (words ending with a single consonant preceded by a short vowel double the consonant before adding 'ing') words using prefixes: un-,dis-, mis-, in-, im-, il-, ir-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-, auto- words using suffixes: -ly, -ation, -ous words with endings sounding /shun/: -tion, -sion, -ssion, -cian words ending with the schwa sound: measure, creature 	 words with the ending /shus/spelt -cious or -tious words with the ending /shul/spelt -cial or -tial words with the endings -ant, -ance/-ancy, -ent, -ence/-ency words ending in -able and -ible words ending in -ably and -ibly adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words ending in -fer (The 'r' is doubled if the -fer is still stressed when the ending is added. The 'r' is not doubled if the -fer is no longer stressed)
Word Origins			 words with the /n/ sound spelt 'kn' and (less often) 'gn' at the beginning of words words with the /r/ sound spelt 'wr' at the beginning of words 	 Words with the /k/ sound spelt 'ch' (Greek in origin) e.g. scheme, chemist words with the /sh/ sound spelt 'ch' (mostly French in origin) e.g. chef, machine words ending with the /g/ sound spelt -gue and the /k/ sound spelt -que (French in origin) e.g. league, unique words with the /s/ sound spelt 'sc' (Latin in origin) e.g. science, scene 	words with silent letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation of the word) e.g. doubt, island, lamb
Grammar			 words with contractions e.g. can't, didn't words using the possessive apostrophe (singular nouns) e.g. the man's, Claire's 	Possessive apostrophe with plural words e.g. girls' boys' babies' children's	words using a hyphen to link a prefix to a root word e.g. co- ordinate, re-iterate, co-own