

# BOURNE ABBEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Lights, Camera, Action! Introducing our spelling parental information videos:**

Our wonderful staff team have produced an online spelling information session which is appropriate for all primary school ages. This format has worked really well for workshops and information sessions across the school in recent years and means that we can reach more families.

✿ \*\*Unleash the Power of Words:\*\* ✿

We understand that supporting your child's spelling adventures at home might feel like entering uncharted territory. That's where our parental information videos come to the rescue! These videos are designed to guide you through the winding paths of spelling techniques.

Spelling is an important tool to help children write with confidence and we want to work in partnership with you to support your child's skills and enjoyment of spelling and writing. We follow the Active Spelling programme which incorporates the use of several key strategies and frequent recall practice to develop and embed spelling knowledge. There is an evidence base which suggests that the use of frequent low stakes testing (recall practice) is more beneficial in aiding the long-term learning of spelling than a traditional weekly spelling test, which can often cause anxiety. Consequently, as you know, we do not send weekly spellings home. However, we have received requests from parents for guidance on how to support their children with spelling at home, particularly with high frequency words. We hope that this video will provide this support.

[Please click here to watch the video.](#)

The information we will share will:

- Showcase several strategies that we use in school to teach spelling
- Share what you can do at home to help your child with their spelling

If you have any questions about spelling after you have had the opportunity to view the session, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

*The English Team*