

## **Spelling - Progression of Skills**

## Houghton Conquest Lower School uses Letters and Sounds Phonics and SWST Spelling scheme

	Words	Phonics	Rules and Conventions	Affixes and Roots	Word Origins	Grammar
Year 1	Children should be taught to spell:  • common exception words (CEW)  • high frequency words (HFW) - the first 100 from Letters and Sounds (pg 193)  • compound words e.g. football, laptop, playground  Plus:  • days of the week  • numbers to 20	Children should be taught to spell:  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	Children should be taught to spell:  • 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	Children should be taught to spell:  • words with the addition of the prefix un-		

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Year 2	Children should be	Children should be taught	Children should be	Children should be	Children should be	Children should be taught
	taught to spell:	to spell:	taught to spell:	taught to spell:	taught to spell:	to spell:
		l	1 10 1 11	1 14 4	1 14 4	1 20 2
	common exception	• homophones and near	• words with the /j/	words with the	words with the	words with contractions
	words (CEW)	homophones e.g.	sound spelt as 'ge'	suffixes -ment, -	/n/ sound spelt 'kn'	e.g. can't, didn't
		there/their/they're,	and 'dge' (end of	ness, -ful, -less	and (less often)	
	<ul> <li>high frequency words</li> </ul>	hear/here, see/ sea	words) and 'g'	and –ly	'gn' at the	<ul> <li>words using the</li> </ul>
	(HFW) - the first 200		(elsewhere in words)		beginning of words	possessive apostrophe
	from Letters and	words with alternative		• words ending in -		(singular nouns) e.g. the
	Sounds (pg 195)	pronunciations from	words with the /s/	tion	• words with the /r/	man's, Claire's
		Letters and Sounds	sound spelt 'c' before		sound spelt 'wr' at	
		Phase 5	'e', 'i' ,'y'		the beginning of	
					words	
			• words ending -le, -el,			
			-al and – il			
			adding –ies to nouns			
			and verbs ending in 'y'			
			and Property Comments			
			• adding -ed, -ing, -er,			
			-est to a root word			
			ending in 'y' with a consonant before it			
			Consonant before it			
			• adding -ing, -ed, -er,			
			-est, -y to words			
			ending in 'e' with a			
			consonant before it			
			Consonant bolore it			
			• adding -ing, -ed, -er,			
			-est and -y to words of			
			one syllable ending in			
			a single letter after a			
			short vowel			

Year 3/4	Children should be	Children should be taught	Children should be	Children should be	Children should be taught
1 ear 3/4	taught to spell:	to spell:	taught to spell:	taught to spell:	to spell:
	taught to spell.	to speii.	laught to spen.	taught to spen.	to speii.
	words from the	• the /i/ sound spelt 'y'	<ul> <li>adding suffixes</li> </ul>	Words with the	Possessive apostrophe
	National Curriculum	elsewhere than at the end			
			beginning with	/k/ sound spelt 'ch'	with plural words e.g. girls'
	word list for Years 3	of words e.g. myth,	vowel letters to	(Greek in origin)	boys' babies' children's
	and 4 (pg 64)	pyramid, gym	words of more	e.g. scheme,	
			than one syllable	chemist	
		words with the /ai/	(words ending with		
		sound spelt 'ei', 'eigh', or	a single consonant	<ul><li>words with the</li></ul>	
		'ey' e.g. vein, eight	preceded by a	/sh/ sound spelt	
			short vowel double	'ch' (mostly French	
		words containing the /u/	the consonant	in origin) e.g. chef,	
		sound spelt 'ou' e.g.	before adding 'ing')	machine	
		double, trouble			
		,	<ul> <li>words using</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>words ending</li> </ul>	
		homophones and near	prefixes: un-,dis-,	with the /g/ sound	
		homophones e.g. affect/	mis-, in-, im-, il-, ir-	spelt -gue and the	
		effect, berry/bury,	, re-, sub-, inter-,	/k/ sound spelt -	
		fair/fare, male/mail	super-, anti-, auto-	que (French in	
		iaii/iaie, maie/maii	oupor, anti, auto	origin) e.g. league,	
			<ul> <li>words using</li> </ul>	unique	
			suffix-es: -ly, -	unique	
			•	1 24 4 7 7	
			ation, -ous	words with the /s/	
				sound spelt 'sc'	
			<ul> <li>words with end-</li> </ul>	(Latin in origin)	
			ings sounding	e.g. science,	
			/shun/: -tion, -sion,	scene	
			-ssion, -cian		
			<ul> <li>words ending</li> </ul>		
			with the schwa		
			sound: measure,		
			creature		