

Spelling Program Grade 4 LAP

September 2011

Dear Parents,

For our spelling program, the kids will be given their new words on the Friday of each week, which they will have stapled into their agendas. They should begin to read and practice spelling the words over the weekend. On the Monday, they will have their pre-test. Giving them the words on Friday, before the pre-test, allows them the opportunity to study the words and achieve greater success. After the pre-test, I will circle the words they must continue to practice on a study sheet that will be stapled into their agendas. They must continue to study these words throughout the week. The final test will be on Friday. After the test, they will be given new spelling words.

The 15 words chosen for each unit will consist of both Dr. Fry's Instant Sight Words and words with phonetic patterns. It is the purpose of this spelling program to both develop and strengthen the student's spelling skills and increase their sight vocabulary. It is important for them to practice reading the words, as well as spelling them.

Although we will be working with these words at school, it is important for the children to also study them 5 to 10 minutes each night. A good website to use for practice is www.spellingcity.com. With hard work, I'm sure they will make great strides with their spelling. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Michelle Abesamis

Teacher

St. Joseph Catholic School

195 Weston Drive

Spruce Grove, AB T7X 1V1

(780) 962-8788 ext. 301

mabesamis@ecsr.ca



