

Year 5 and 6 Spelling

In Years 5 and 6, the following spelling rules and patterns will be taught:

- Words ending -cious and -tious such as 'delicious' and 'superstitious'
- Words ending -cial and -tial such as 'special' and 'partial'
- Words ending -ant, -ance and -ancy such as 'hesitant', 'hesitance' and 'hesitancy'
- Words ending -ent, -ence and -ency such as 'patient', 'patience' and 'frequency'
- Words ending -able / -ably and -ible / -ibly such as 'comfortable' / 'comfortably' and 'horrible' / 'horribly'
- Adding -ing / -ed to words ending -fer, for example: 'prefer', 'preferring' and 'preferred'
- Use of the hyphen, for example: 'co-ordinate', 're-enter'
- Words containing ie / ei, for example: 'piece' and 'ceiling'
- Words containing ough and looking at the different sounds this grapheme makes in different words, for example: 'enough', 'through', 'although', 'plough'
- Silent letters in words such as 'doubt', 'thistle' and 'knight'
- **Homophones** (words which sound the same but are spelled differently) for example: 'principle' and 'principal'