Dear Parents

Please find below your child’s spellings for home-work for the next five weeks. Please help him/her to learn them by encouraging your child to practise writing the words. It is recommended that your child learns two spellings per night before their weekly spelling test on Fridays.

Most of the spelling words are regular. This means they can be spelt by listening for the sounds and writing the letters for them. The sixth and seventh words are irregular, or ‘tricky’, and have to be learnt by heart. The eight word is a ‘challenge’ word.

Once your child knows the names for all the letters in the alphabet, he/she can learn these harder words by saying the names of the letters in them: for the word ‘the’, for instance, your child should say ‘tee haitch ee’ several times each day until the word is known.

A copy of this page can be found on your child’s class page of the school’s website <http://www.scoilmochua.com/>.

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| **Week 1**  **-er -ir and -ur** | **Week 2**  **-ph** | **Week 3**  **Soft c** |
| 1. first 2. jumper 3. shirt 4. purple 5. turnip 6. **why** 7. **where** 8. gingerbread | 1. phone 2. elephant 3. alphabet 4. dolphin 5. trophy 6. **what** 7. **when** 8. photograph | 1. ice 2. pencil 3. face 4. circle 5. nice 6. **which** 7. **who** 8. cylinder |
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| **Week 4**  **Soft g** | **Week 5**  **-ai –ay and –a\_e** |
| 1. orange 2. gym 3. large 4. magic 5. giant 6. **any** 7. **many** 8. vegetable | 1. tray 2. whale 3. play 4. snake 5. train 6. **more** 7. **before** 8. Easter |