Year Two Spellings - Summer Term 1

w/c 21st April 2025 – This unit explores how the /s/ sound can be spelled with c or ce in different positions in some words. The GPC /s/ c is used at the start or in the middle of words, where c comes before i or y. It can also be used in the middle of a split digraph in words like 'ice'. The spelling pattern ce is used at the end of words, like 'peace' and 'fence'.

Why does 'c' make the sound /s/ in some words? When 'c' comes before i or y, it says /s/. If a word ends with the sounds /n/ and /s/, the /s/ is usually spelled 'ce'.

Words for the week using the spelling rules:	circle, circus, pencil, exercise, juicy, bicycle, cycle, city, spicy, fancy fence, dance, silence, peace, voice
Prickly words:	beautiful, laugh
Homophones:	here/hear

w/c 28th April 2025 – This unit explores the /zh/ sound spelled si or su.

How can I spell the sound /zh/? The /zh/ sound spelled 'si' is followed by o, n (sion). The /zh/ sound spelled 'su' is followed by 're' or 'al'.

Words for the week	vision, occasion, explosion, confusion, illusion, invasion
using the spelling	treasure, measure, pleasure, closure
rules:	usual, casual
Prickly words:	busy, pretty
Homophones:	be/bee

w/c 5th May 2025 — This unit explores how the suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly can normally be added to the end of a root word without making any other changes. When the root word ends with y, the y is swapped for an i before adding the suffix. Some root words ending in e, such as 'argue' and 'awe', drop the e before adding a suffix.

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We normally just add the suffix **-ful** to the end of a root word. If the root word ends in y, we swap the y for an i. We must also remember that the suffix is just -ful, it doesn't have a double II.

Words for the week	illness, freshness, lateness, happiness
using the spelling	payment, enjoyment, arrangement, agreement, merriment, argument
rule:	careful, hopeful, helpful, joyful, plentiful
Prickly words:	parents, because
Homophones:	bare/bear

w/c 12th **May 2025** – This unit explores how the suffixes -ment, -ness, -ful, -less and -ly can normally be added to the end of a root word without making any other changes. When the root word ends with y, the y is swapped for an i before adding the suffix. Some root words ending in e, such as 'argue' and 'awe', drop the e before adding a suffix.

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Words for the week using the spelling rule:	careless, hopeless, helpless, joyless, penniless warmly, lately, nicely, noisily, happily carelessly, helplessly
Prickly words:	parents, because
Homophones:	bare/bear

w/c 19th May 2025 – How can I show missing letters in a word? In this unit, we return to explore using apostrophes to show missing letters in words (contractions).

Words for the week using the spelling	I'm, I've, I'll, I'd we'll, we've, hasn't, hadn't, can't, didn't, it's, it'll, they're, they'll
rule:	shouldn't, wouldn't, couldn't
Prickly words:	Review all previous prickly words this term
Homophones:	their/there/they're