**Deer Class Spelling Homework**

Please hand in your spelling homework book each Monday. Every week you will need to learn the spellings listed below. Don’t forget to keep checking back on previous words too.

**\* Log on to spelling shed to practise each week \***

Then choose **one** of these tasks – choose the one that you think is most appropriate for you depending on how difficult you find the words.

1. Look up each word using a dictionary or a search engine. Write the definition (in your own words) of each of the 8 words.
   * e.g. Ancient means very old.
2. Write a minimum of 4 sentences and use at least one of the spelling words in each sentence.
   * E.g. The ancient building gave Ben the creeps; he looked over his shoulder in fear.
3. Write a paragraph that uses all eight words and as many different types of punctuation as you can. **. , ; : - - ( ) … “ ” ‘ ‘ ! ?** 
   * The ancient building gave ten-year-old Ben the creeps; he looked over his shoulder in fear. As night fell, the temperature of his immediate surroundings plummeted (along with his stomach). “Hello?” he called in what he hoped was a confident voice. No reply: suddenly Ben was painfully conscious that he was alone with only the rhythm of his thumping heart to interfere with the eerie silence.

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| Spring 1 | **Test date: 2nd March**  **Pattern: Year 5 and 6 word list** | **Test date: 9th March**  **Pattern: Year 5 and 6 word list** | **Test date: 23rd March**  **Pattern: Year 5 and 6 word list** | **Test date: 30th March**  **Pattern: words we’ve found particularly tricky** |
| Spellings to Learn | hindrance  familiar  interrupt  programme  soldier  rhyme  bruise  dictionary | sufficient  neighbour  leisure  vehicle  excellent  guarantee  signature  secretary | sacrifice  category  symbol  system  sincere  relevant  develop  equip | criticise  pronunciation  convenience  existence  restaurant  especially  opportunity  environment |