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| **Testing period: week commencing** | **Tuesday 3rd January** | **9th January** | **16th January** | **23rd January** | **30th January** | **6th February** |
| **Round 1:** **Key Words** | excellentoccursymbolbruisequeueconvenience | equipmentopportunitysystemcategoryhindrancecontroversy | parliamenttemperaturecemeteryfamiliarharasspronunciation | thoroughcommitteeforeignphysicalyachtconscious | communicatefortyprejudicevarietyfrequentlyprivilege | **6 mystery key words from this term** |
| **Round 2: Spelling Rule** | **Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c** conceive perceive caffeine either (‘ee-ther’) neither (‘nee-ther’) | **ough: “aw” sound**wrought sought afterthought overbought outfought | **ough: “uh” sound**clough chough tough Middlesbrough Peterborough | **ough: “ow” sounds**although cough\* plough breakthrough furlough | **Silent letters: b and n**comb climb bomb subtle condemn | **2 mystery spellings from each of the rules this term**  |
| **Round 3:** **Mystery Spellings**Learn the rule.You will be tested on 5 more words which follow this week’s rule. | The ‘**i** before **e** except after **c**’ rule applies to words where the sound spelt by **ei** is /i:/. **Exceptions**: *protein*, *caffeine*, *seize* (and *either* and *neither* if pronounced with an initial /i:/ sound)*.*  | **ough** is one of the trickiest spellings in English – it can be used to spell a number of different sounds. This week, we are just looking at words which rhyme with the /ɔː / sound: yawn at dawn. | **ough** is one of the trickiest spellings in English – it can be used to spell a number of different sounds. This week, we are just looking at words which rhyme with the /^ / vowel sound: under, up, puddle | This week we are looking at a number of different sounds. 1. words which rhyme with this phonic sound: blow the snow2. words which rhyme with this phonic sound: brown cow3. Exceptions\* | Some letters which are no longer sounded used to be sounded hundreds of years ago.The **silent** **b** often comes before *t*, or after *m* at the end of a word.The **silent n** often follows *m* at the end of a word. |
| **Round 4: Homophones** | whose/who’s | wary/weary | steal/steel | stationary/stationery | profit/prophet | guest/guessed |