English Skills Progression Map - Spelling

Tricky	Y1 Common Exception	Y2 Common Exception	Y3 & Y4	Y5 & Y6
Words	Words	Words	Statutory Words	Statutory Words
VC, CVC, CCVC and CVCC words	 oy and oi ai and ay ir, er and ur ow and oe ue and ew ie and igh or, ore aw air are ea in bead/bread oo in food/wood ear in bear/fear Split diagraphs: o_e a_e e_e u_e Ending ff, ck, zz, ll, ss Ending ope Adding -es to the end of plurals Add -ing, -ed -er Add 'er' 'est' Ending y, 'happy' ph or wh Add prefix un- to change meaning Compound words 	 same sound is made by a different group of letters: 'dge', 'g', 'ge' and 'j Silent letters k, g and w (as in 'knock', 'gnat' 'write') Words ending le, el, al and il (as in 'meddle', 'tunnel', 'animal', 'pencil') Verbs ending y which then changes to ies and i 'copy', 'copies Dropping the e off the end of a word when adding -ing, -ed, -er a consonant to be doubled before adding -ing, -ed Unusual uses of vowels, such as 'o' being used for the 'u' sound ('other') and 'a' being used for the 'o' sound ('warm') Suffixes including -ly, -ment, -ful, -ness and -less Apostrophes are used to show contractions, such as: 'do not' changing to 'don't' Ending -tion such as fiction Homophones, pairs of words that sound the same, but are spelt differently (such as: 'hear' and 'here') 	 Adding suffixes -er, -ing to verbs, for example: 'beginner' and 'beginning' Words containing 'y' where it sounds like 'i', such as 'myth' and 'gym' Words containing 'ou' where it sounds like 'u' such as 'young' and 'touch' Words containing prefixes (groups of letters added to the start of a word) such as mis-, dis-, im-, il-, ir-, re-, sub-, inter-, super-, anti-, auto- Words containing suffixes (groups of letters added to the end of each word) such as -ation, -ly Words ending -sure and -ture (such as 'measure' and 'creature') Words ending -sion, -tion, -ssion, -cian (such as 'confusion', 'rejection', 'permission' and 'musician') Words ending -ous (such as 'dangerous' and 'courageous') Words containing ch where it sounds like 'sh' or 'k' (such as 'chef' and 'scheme') Words ending -gue and -que (such as 'league' and 'antique') Homophones (pairs of words that sound the same but are spelled differently, for example: 'meddle' and 'medal') 	 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: 'coordinate', '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'
	And revisit spelling rules from previous years.	And revisit spelling rules from previous years.	And revisit spelling rules from previous years.	And revisit spelling rules from previous years.