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Dear Parents:

Beginning today, the Spelling Homework packet will be sent home on Monday with all spelling homework stapled together for the week. The children should complete the respective assignment for each day and place the completed assignment in their homework folder. For example, on Monday night, write new spelling words 3 times each and put completed paper in homework folder for Tuesday. On Tuesday, sort the list of words (which has been cut into flashcards) into the right category, and put it in the homework folder for Wednesday.

The children are doing a 3S Sort of the words in class so they know how to do this. A 3S Sort means: **SAY** the word, **SORT** the word into its category, **SPELL** the word and write it. This is a great way to learn to spell because they are actually studying the structure of the word and will hopefully become better spellers and readers.

We hope this clears up some of the confusion about spelling homework. If you have any other questions, please ask.

Thank you for your support!!

The First Grade Teachers