**Year 3 & 4 Spelling – week beginning 29th June 2020**

The spelling pattern for this week looks at the suffix (word ending) –ous. Have a go at some of the activities below to help you to learn some of these words.

Example word list: fame, famous, poison, poisonous, danger, dangerous, vary, various, fury, furious, tremendous, enormous, previous, obvious, serious, courage, courageous, curious, hideous, adventure, adventurous, mystery, mysterious, jealous, ridicule, ridiculous, fabulous, nerve, nervous, advantage, advantageous, humour, humorous, glamour, glamorous, delicious

Word Sorting: Can you find a way to sort the words above? How did you sort them? What can you say about the words?

‘ous’ Investigation Table: Investigate the words to fill in the information in the table below. You may wish to record this in your own way. An online dictionary may help you to find the word type.

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| Word | Type | Root | Type | Change to Spelling |
| furious | adjective | fury | noun | Change the y to i add ous |
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Rules for adding ‘ous’: Sort the word according to the following rules:

Usually add ‘ous’ changes a noun into an adjective:

danger - dangerous adventure – adventurous fury – furious

Word using ‘ous’ do not always split into root and suffix

enormous serious fabulous

When there is a clear root word the normal rules for adding suffixes applies.

1. If the root ends in ‘e’ drop the ‘e’ and add ‘ous’
2. If the root word ends in ‘ge’ keep the ‘e’ and add ‘ous’
3. If the root word ends in ‘y’ change to ‘i’ and add ‘ous’
4. If the word ends in ‘our’ change to ‘or’ and add ‘ous’

Speed-write: Choose the words you find the trickiest to spell. How many times can you write a word out in a minute? Have a go again tomorrow and see if you can beat your score!

Maybe have a little spelling test at the end of the week! How did you get on?