

February 3, 2010

Dear Parents,

The second annual Vintage Hills **Spell-a-thon will be held February 23-26!**

This is a fundraiser where **100% of the money raised benefits Vintage Hills Elementary School**, does not involve knocking on doors and is rooted in academics. Your child will improve his or her spelling skills and our school raises critical funds to put toward your child's future educational success! Last year, in our inaugural event, we raised over \$4,500, and we hope to exceed that this year.

It works in the following way:

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

- The list of spelling words for your child's grade is attached here, and can be found online at www.vintagehillspta.org.
- Your child collects pledges from family and friends for every word that he/she spells right, or a flat donation of any amount.
- Get as many sponsors they can! PRINT the sponsor's name and phone number on the sponsor sheet attached.
- Your child should study the spelling words prior to the test. The test will be given for the grades as follows:
 - February 23: 1st grade
 - February 23: 4th grade
 - February 24: 2nd grade
 - February 25: 3rd grade
 - February 26: 5th grade
- Bring the sponsor sheet to school by **Friday, February 19**. Checks should be made out to Vintage Hills PTA.

In addition, the most important thing you can do to support this effort is **encourage your child to participate!** This is an optional fundraiser, but the more children that participate, the more funds we raise for Vintage Hills.

Thank you for your help in this exciting new venture. If you have questions, please call Angela Bitting at (925) 462-1106 or email a.bitting@comcast.net.