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Dear Parent/Guardian;

As an extension of the regular literacy programme, students are invited to participate in the annual Spelling Bee competition. It will be hosted by Spelling Bee of Canada. This programme will assist your child to develop more vocabulary, learn new word definitions, practice to research and learn sentence structures, as well as enhance reading comprehension, reasoning and public speaking skills. Participation is voluntary and extracurricular. Students who join will be supported by mentors at school. Spelling Bee of Canada will need a commitment from home to encourage some study time on a regular basis and attend lunch time or after school coaching practices.

The cost for participation is \$35.00 per package, which covers the cost of the Primary, Junior or Intermediate official **e-spelling manual & Spelling Bee Pronunciation Coaching CD** (10% of the registration fee will be given to each school). Volunteer coaches will help students practice to prepare for their competition. **All participants will be invited to compete in the Annual Community & School Spelling Bee. The Bee for our school is called WR3 and will take place on Wednesday, April 8 at John Ross Robertson P.S..** Every child will receive a participation certificate. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in each age categories will receive prizes and trophies, with the 1st place per category being eligible to participate in the Ontario Championship on May 3, 2015 in Toronto.

The Spelling Bee programme has three age-related categories – Primary (ages 6 – 8 born 2006 - 2008), Junior (ages 9 to 11 born 2003-2005) and Intermediate (ages 12 – 14 born 2000-2002). Your child will be placed in one of the three categories based on his or her age as of December 31, 2014.

Yours in Education,

Cate Spidle

Please complete this form electronically and send to Cate.spidle@tdsb.on.ca OR send in paper copy to the office.

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Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Teacher name: _____

I give _____ permission to participate in the WR3 Annual Spelling Bee.

Parent/guardian signature: _____