



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spelling Bee BUZZ

Sunday, July 30, 2006 @ 1pm  
at Honeyland Canada 17617 Ford Road, Pitt Meadows

**Dress up in your favorite bee or blueberry costume for a bonus prize!**

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- o **Grades 2, 3 & 4** Category - child to be entering into Grade 2, 3 or 4 in September 2006
- o **Grade 5 & 6** Category – child to be entering into Grade 5 or 6 in September 2006

### Rules & Regulations:

1. To determine their spelling order in the competition, spellers will pick a random number (e.g. from a hat).
2. A practice round will be conducted in the first round of the competition to familiarize spellers with the procedure. No points will be awarded in this round; neither will those words be used again.
3. The competition is conducted in rounds. A speller will be given one word per round.
4. Any question relating to the procedures or the spelling of a word must be referred to the pronouncer.
5. If a word has more than one meaning / spelling the pronouncer will indicate which word is to be spelled by giving the definition and the word in a sentence.
6. The spelling bee buzz is conducted orally. The pronouncer gives the speller their word to spell according to the pronunciation given in a Canadian Dictionary and the key provided.
7. After the pronouncer reads out the speller's word, the speller must repeat the word before they begin spelling, so that the judges are confident the speller has heard the word correctly. Spellers must also repeat the word on completion of the spelling to indicate they have finished.
8. Once the speller has repeated their word to the satisfaction of the judge(s), they have 1 ½ minutes to complete the spelling.
9. The speller will be notified by a ring of a bell when only 30 seconds remain to complete the spelling. To avoid distraction, this bell will not be rung if the speller is mid-way through spelling. If the speller has not completed the spelling of their word after 1 ½ minutes, points for this round will defer to the 3+ errors.
10. The speller is permitted to ask the pronouncer the following questions, in any order within their time frame. "May I have the meaning of the word?" and "May I have the word in a sentence?"
11. After the speller has finished, the pronouncer will let the speller know if the word has been spelled correctly. If the speller incorrectly spells the word, the pronouncer will give the correct spelling.
12. Points will be awarded as follows:
  1. Correct spelling 20 points
  2. 1 error 15 points
  3. 2 errors 10 points
  4. 3+ errors or incomplete 5 points
13. A speller will not be penalized for failing to note a word is capitalized.
14. Each speller will complete all rounds as time allows.
15. The speller with the highest points will be awarded as the top-speller.
16. In the event of a tie - two or more top-spellers will be awarded.
17. The decision of the judge is final.

### Questions or to register – please contact or forward completed forms to:

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