**Spelling Rule i before e except after c**

**i** before **e** except after **c** but only when the **ie** makes an **ee** sound.

believe thief piece (these all make the ee sound)

ceiling receipt receive (these all have a **c** first so are **ei**)

If the sound made is **ay**,the spelling is usually **ei**.

beige vein neighbour

**Ask yourself:**

Does the word contain a ‘**c’**?

Does it make a ‘**ee’** sound or an ‘**ay’** sound?

\*\*\*Exceptions to the rule!\*\*\*

What rules do the following words break?

seize protein weird caffeine neither counterfeit either Keith Sheila Neil

**Words to learn:**

relieved yield

deceit achieve

inconceivable weight

ceiling shriek

foreign transceiver

beige fiend

Please practise this rule at home throughout the week and find the definitions for each word. Record into your spelling book.