**Tricky Word Games**

These are some games that you could play with your child to help make practicing their tricky words a little more fun!

**Where's the word? –**Take all words out of the bag and place them facing up.  Ask your child to find a word (e.g. was) as fast as they can.   Give clues as necessary (This word has 3 letters etc.).

**What's the Word?**– Same as previous game except you change roles. Ask the child to pick a word from the bag.  They then have to describe it to you (e.g. this word begins with an S (sssss sound), and ends in an E and has 4 letters "etc.  some.

**Kim's Game –** Present 3 words (or more/ less depending on your child’s confidence with their Tricky words) to your child. Ask the child to close their eyes. You then take one of the words away.  Ask your child to open their eyes and see if they can remember the word you took way.

**Make my sentence! –** All cards facing up.  Make up a sentence (e.g.  I am a shoe, but the sillier the better!) And ask the child to find the words, from their word bag, and put them in order, to make your sentence.

**Go Fish!**– All cards facing down.  Child and adult take turns and “fish" for a word.  When a word is picked up, turn it over and see if you can read the word.  If you can, you can keep the word.  If you cannot, you must give the word to the other player. The person with the most “fish" (words) at the end of the game wins.

**Highlight:** Get a bright coloured highlighter. Ask your child to find the tricky word “the” as many times as possible in a newspaper/book/magazine. They highlight the word “the” each time they find it. You can play against the child by setting a timer of 1minute. Whoever has highlighted the most “the” becomes the winner!

Just a few little ideas. Have fun!

