



GCU/FBA/JJA

13 April 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: SPELLING BEES REGIONAL FINAL THURSDAY 23/04/2026**

We are pleased to inform you that your child has successfully secured a place to represent the Academy at the Eastern Regional Final of the Spanish Spelling Bee. This is a significant achievement, with over 62,000 students participating nationally this year.

The final will take place on **Thursday 23 April 2026, from 4:00–7:00pm** in Cambridge at:  
**North Cambridge Academy**  
Arbury Road  
Cambridge  
CB4 2JF

Students will travel by minibus, accompanied by Mrs Tobin. We plan to leave the Academy shortly after lunch. Students should meet in the Courtyard Cafe at **1:45 pm**, with parents/supporters able to say goodbye at the bottom of the ramp at **1:55 pm**. We aim to return to the Academy at approximately **8:30 pm**, traffic permitting. Students must attend in full school uniform and alternative arrangements need to be made for your child's journey home from the Academy on this day.

During the competition, students will have one minute to spell and translate words from their set lists in Spanish. The top three students in the region will qualify for the National Final later this year. In preparation, students will continue regular lunchtime and revision practice sessions leading up to the event.

Refreshments (tea and coffee) will be available at the host school. Please indicate any dietary requirements, intolerances, or allergies via the Google Form linked below.

We kindly ask all parents/carers to complete the form to confirm whether they are able to attend. Each student is allocated one supporter place; however, additional spaces may be available depending on availability. <https://forms.gle/75G9nFE3kujCPoo68>.

If you have any questions with regards to the Eastern Regional Final of the Spanish Spelling Bee, then please do not hesitate to contact us via telephone number 01375 489000 or alternatively via email at [frederique.bouretaa@theglc.org.uk](mailto:frederique.bouretaa@theglc.org.uk) or [gabriela.ciubotaru@theglc.org.uk](mailto:gabriela.ciubotaru@theglc.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

**Mrs F Bouretaa and Mrs G Ciubotaru**  
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