

Name Wall & Word Wall

Name Wall

A Name Wall can be a display just for student names. It can also be used for mnemonics to assist students to remember letters. It is better if each mnemonic is a familiar food, person or action, negotiated or selected with the students.

Name walls:

- Are for emergent readers and writers
- Student names go on the name wall. Add one name per week until they are all on.
- Can also add one mnemonic per letter (eg. Mum for Mm, Home for Hh). This is optional.
- Add the mnemonic when you introduce a new letter. If reviewing a letter you have done before, review the mnemonic.
- Refer to name wall throughout the day for both student names and for mnemonics. Use them during morning message, shared reading, writing, and in working with letters and sounds lessons



Word Wall

A Word Wall is a display for high frequency words. Long term it can also be used for high interest words e.g. Pokemon and/or for words that students struggle with e.g. library. It is not for topic specific words.

Word walls:

- Are for conventional readers and writers
- High frequency words go on the word wall. Once all words on your high frequency word list have been covered, you can add others.
- Also add one word for each of the 37 common word families in English.
- The colour around each word helps students to locate it.
- Get more information about word walls at <http://www.janefarrall.com/word-walls-using-the-word-wall/> and portable word walls at <https://janefarrall.com/making-a-portable-word-wall/>

