

Thursday 24th April 2025

Dear Year 6 parents,

I am writing to you about the year 6 children's upcoming SATs tests. Please find some information below including the test timetable.

#### What are SATs?

Children in English schools used to sit Standard Assessment Tests 'SATs' twice during their school career. The first time was in Key Stage 1, when they had tests in Year 2. However as schools were only partly open when your children were in year 2 due to Covid- they didn't take these tests, but they did take their Multiplication check at the end of year 4.

The next time children will take their SATs is at the end of Key Stage 2 in Year 6. These are still compulsory and our Year 6 children will need to sit them this academic year.

This year, SATs week will be Monday 12th – 15th May 2025 These are formal tests; they consist of written papers (in English and Maths) that are 40 to 60 minutes long and can sometimes be quite daunting for this age group. We will do all we can to reassure the children and ask them simply to try their best. The papers are sent away for marking and the results are returned to school in July and will be shared with you in a letter home at the end of term 6.

SATs aren't about passing or failing, but are used to reflect the level your child is working at. We don't see them as a one-off period in the school calendar but as a part of the overall teaching your child receives throughout their whole time at primary school. We aim to ensure your child is as prepared as they can be to minimise any stress they may feel about the assessments.

### KS2 SATs 2025 Dates

### Monday 12th May 2025

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Spelling - 20 mins
Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Punctuation and Grammar - 45 mins

## Tuesday 13th May 2025

Reading - 60 mins

# Wednesday 14th May 2025

Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic - 30 mins Maths Paper 2: Reasoning - 40 mins

## Thursday 15th May 2025

Maths Paper 3: Reasoning - 40 mins



How can you help your child?

The key to making SATs less stressful for your child is not to panic yourself as this will put your child under enormous stress and this makes it very difficult for a child to learn. Children are well-prepared for SATs throughout their school life. Please just encourage them to remember what they have learnt and try their best.

If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to discuss these with your child's class teacher.

Please know that we are all very proud of all our year 6 pupils and only ever ask them to try their best. These results do not define them, they are just a snapshot of achievement - children are so much more than test scores

We wish you all the best year 6!!

Thank you for your support.

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