



Friday 5th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Key Stage 2 SATs will begin next week. The children have been working very hard and we know that they will try their best to achieve to their full potential.

The test schedule is as follows.

Date	Exam
Tuesday 9 May 2023	Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling - Paper 1 Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling - Paper 2
Wednesday 10 May 2023	English Reading
Thursday 11 May 2023	Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)
Friday 12 May 2023	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)

There is no SAT test for writing as this area of the English curriculum is assessed by the class teacher. The children will be working on this more closely following SATs week so attendance continues to be important.

The timetable will hopefully help you and your child to prepare for the important week ahead. We have looked at past SATs papers and our pupils have completed mocks tests, so the format and what to expect on the day should be familiar to them.

The tests will take place either in the classrooms or in smaller work rooms around the school where the children completed their mock tests under exam conditions. The tests vary in length but none are longer than an hour.

Some children have a specific need which means that they might require extra arrangements such as additional time, rest breaks or a reader so that they can take part in the tests. These arrangements will mirror the support a child normally receives in the classroom and during the mock tests. If your child has these access arrangements in place, you will already have been made aware of them.









In order for you <u>to help your child</u>, please talk to them about their learning and how they are feeling. Worries are normal but sharing them is really important. Please do not put your child under too much pressure; please do encourage and reassure them. Minimising screen time and ensuring that your child has a good night's sleep is vital and can make a difference to how they focus the next day.

<u>During the week of the test</u>, please make sure that your child has high attendance and arrives at school on time. This will mean they have time to prepare for the tests with the rest of the class. They should have a good breakfast and ensure they have a drink before they come to school.

We will provide water and all the equipment that the children will need for the tests. Ideally all children should be in school each day on time. We understand though that sometimes children are ill. If your child is ill, please contact the school. If they improve, they should come into school even if it is later in the day. If a child is absent, they must not come into contact with other children who have completed the test. If your child is absent, then the school will contact you again to find a way to ensure this does not happen. This will mean that your child can have the test administered to them in a fair manner when they are well enough and back in school (this can happen up to a week after the test).

We want to give our pupils the best chance in these tests. The best possible way to achieve this is by the children being in school to go through the experience with their friends and by making things as 'normal' as possible.

If you have any concerns or wish to talk about anything further, please contact your class teacher through the class email or via the office.

The Year 6 children have been working very hard and we believe that they will dream, believe and aspire to be the best they can be!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Curtis Year 6 Lead