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Year 6 S.A.T.s (Standard Assessment Tests) Information

We are now into the fifth term of Year 6 and SATs are not too far away. The children are working hard in class to prepare for this important week which gives them all a chance to showcase the knowledge and skills they have learned in KS2.

In 2020 and 2021, KS2 SATs did not take place due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Primary school SATs results will not be published in national league tables this year to reflect the disruption to children's learning.

It is our understanding that these tests will primarily be used to provide important data on children's attainment across the country, following successive school closures. This information will be needed to ensure our secondary schools are well-informed, so that they can fully support your child as they move on from primary school.

Please be aware of what is happening on each day of the test week (see timetable below) and ensure that your child gets plenty of sleep, and a good breakfast, leading up to and during this week. It is essential that your child arrives at school on time during this week.

Date	Assessment
Monday 9 th May 2022	English: Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS) Paper 1
Monday 9 th May 2022	English: Spelling
Tuesday 10 th May 2022	English: Reading Assessment Paper
Wednesday 11 th May 2022	Mathematics: Paper 1 (Arithmetic)
Wednesday 12 th May 2022	Mathematics: Paper 2 (Reasoning)
Thursday 13 th May 2022	Mathematics: Paper 3 (Reasoning)

SATs week breakfast club

On the week of SATs (week commencing 9th May 2022), we will be offering a free breakfast club to all Year 6 pupils. This will take place in the classrooms which will be open at 8am, a member of the Year 6 team will collect children from the main reception/office area. This will be an opportunity for children to relax, socialise with their friends and for teachers to support them with any questions that they have around subject knowledge or anxieties they may have so that they can enter their exams in the best possible headspace.

Results

You will receive test results for your child in English reading, English grammar, punctuation and spelling and mathematics. There is no test for English writing; this will be reported using teacher assessment.

You will be given your child's scaled score and whether they have reached the expected standard set by the Department for Education ('NS' means that the expected standard was not achieved and 'AS' means the expected standard was achieved).

The range of scaled scores available for each KS2 test is 80 (the lowest scaled score that can be awarded) and 120 (the highest scaled score). The expected standard for each test is a scaled score of 100 or more. If a child is awarded a scaled score of 99 or less they will be working towards the expected standard for the end of KS2. Please do be reassured that, due to school closures, many children may not reach the 'expected standard' this year and secondary schools have intervention programmes in place to support children in KS3.

Supporting your child at home.

We want the children to feel confident and able to give their best during this important week and not to feel any undue pressure. They will be given all that they need to help prepare for these tests in class, including practice papers and coaching in techniques for reading, understanding and answering questions. These skills will also be useful in secondary school. Encouraging your child to access Spelling Shed, Accelerated Reader, Times Table Rockstars and Mathletics at home is a great way to help them prepare, both for SATs and for Year 7. In addition, if you would like to look at any previous SATs materials to familiarise yourself with the style of questions, you can see these using the link below:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials

If you have any questions about the assessments, please do not hesitate to get in touch with school.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 6 team.