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Dear Parents/Carers,

With SATS fast approaching, we wanted to take the opportunity to give you a little bit more information about the SATS tests the children will be sitting, what the week will look like for the children, and how we can support them both in school and at home.

If you have any additional questions, beyond the information provided below, please pop in to see us for our SATS drop in on **Monday 28th April at 3:30pm.**

SATS week is the week beginning **Monday 12th May 2025.** The tests will be administered as follows:

Day	Test(s)
Monday 12 th May	KS2 English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling <i>Paper 1 (SPAG)</i> <i>Paper 2 (Spelling)</i>
Tuesday 13 th May	KS2 Reading Paper
Wednesday 14 th May	KS2 Mathematics <i>Paper 1 (Arithmetic)</i> <i>Paper 2 (Reasoning)</i>
Thursday 15 th May	KS2 Mathematics <i>Paper 3 (Reasoning)</i>

There will be a test every morning of the week (Monday—Thursday) so all children must be in school. They must also be on time every day. If your child is ill, please notify the school in the usual way. As these are statutory tests they will not be given another opportunity and won't be awarded a score for that test. Tests can not be taken at any other time. Please note that any requests for holidays/days off cannot be authorised during this time.

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school with them every day during this week – they will be able to keep this on the floor next to them during the tests. Your child will not need any other special equipment/ resources – we will provide them with everything that they need.



Results

Following these tests, the children will not be graded with a level. They will instead be given a standardised score for the following areas:

Reading

Spelling, grammar, punctuation

Mathematics

These will be reported to you, via your child, when we receive them – this will be in July. This report will also indicate whether your child has met the expected standard in their test papers.

Teacher assessments also form a valuable part of the end of year assessment data that you and your child will receive and which will be passed on to Secondary Schools. There is not a SATs writing test. The teachers will be providing a teacher assessment for writing using a wide selection of writing examples collated over time. This is validated data that is sent to the local educational authority.

Breakfasts and SATS week

During SATS week, we recognise that the children may experience some anxieties around sitting their tests. We will do everything we can in school to minimise the pressure they feel, and keep things as normal as we are able. We offer an early start with breakfast to **all year 6 children** – they are welcome into school at 8:15 for a breakfast of juice, toast and fruit and a relaxing, soft start to their day. Following their papers each day, we will be working across the curriculum to ensure the children have chance to relax; we will engage with Art projects, PE, personal development, computing. Your child's class teacher and Mrs Vincent will continue to support your child throughout the week.

Ways in which you can help during the week

Please make sure that:

- Your child gets to bed early and has a really good night's sleep.
- They have a good healthy breakfast to get their brains started.
- They are in school on time every day.
- They have opportunities to relax at the end of the days – playing outside, being physically active, going on walks etc.

These are National tests and there is no opportunity for retaking them on another day.

Finally, please remember to encourage them and remind them that their best is fantastic, no matter what score they get. They have all been working so hard in school and we are all incredibly proud of them!

Kind regards,

Miss Cottam and the Year 5/6 team