

Key Stage 2 SATs

Parents' Information
Evening

Thursday, 13th
February

2020

3.30pm & 7.00pm



What will happen?

At the end of each Key Stage each child is assessed on whether age related expectations have been achieved or if a child is working below or above age related expectations. Now the children are nearly at the end of Key Stage 2, they will be sitting tests to gain a mark that reflects their attainment with regards to age related expectations within the National Curriculum in English and Mathematics.

The children will be working either in the hall or, in a few cases, a separate room to complete their test papers.



When are the tests?

The children will do all their tests in the week beginning Monday 11th May 2020.

Last test will be on Thursday 14th May 2020.



What tests will the children do?

During the week all the children will sit the six tests that cover English and Maths (three English and three Maths). *There will not be additional extension level 6 tests for some pupils.*

We are given a time table, which is nationally set and the same for every School, stipulating when the children must do their tests and how long they can have.

For the rest of the time the children will follow a normal working week timetable.

Timetable

Monday, 11th May - English Grammar, Punctuation
and Spelling

Paper 1: Grammar/Punctuation

Paper 2: Spellings

Tuesday, 12th May - English Reading: English
reading and associated booklet

Wednesday, 13th May - Mathematics Paper 1:
Arithmetic

Mathematics Paper 2:

Reasoning

Thursday, 14th May - Maths Paper 3: Reasoning

No more 'Level 6' Papers

- The tests now cover the curriculum for all pupils.
- All pupils (entered) will sit all the tests.
- The tests will include questions designed to stretch and challenge pupils who have mastered the Y6 curriculum.
- There are no longer additional extension tests so there will not be any tests during the afternoon of SATs week.



The children will not complete writing assessments during SATs week.

Instead, we have been assessing the children's writing over a number of pieces written work throughout Year 6.

These will be assessed and then moderated to ensure accurate assessments are made.

This is not a new change.

English Tests - Grammar, punctuation and spelling test

Paper 1:

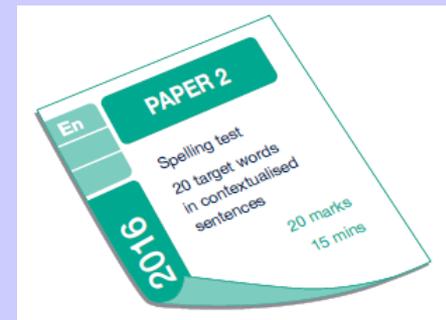
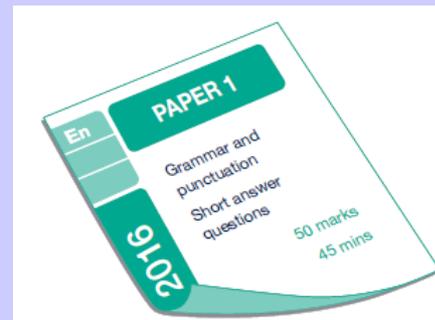
- short answer questions
- 45 minutes
- Total out of 50 marks

Paper 2:

- Spelling
- 15 minutes
- Total out of 20 marks

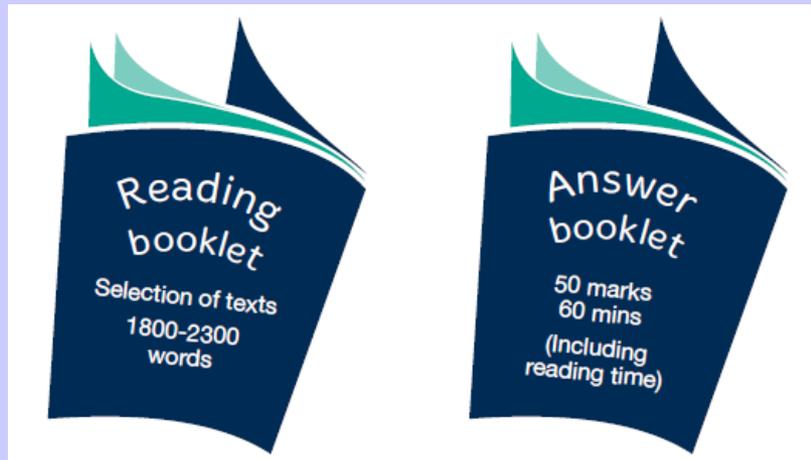
Assessing:

- Grammatical terms/ word classes
- Functions of sentences
- Words, phrases and clauses
- Features of Standard English
- Formal/informal
- Punctuation
- Language strategies



English Tests - Reading Test

- 60 minutes to read and answer
- Total out of 50 marks
- The 3 or 4 texts will not be linked by a theme and will increase in difficulty in the booklet



Assessing:

- Range of texts
- Themes and conventions
- Making inferences
- Comprehension
- Language for effect

Maths Tests

Paper 1: arithmetic

- Replaces 'mental maths test'
- 30 minutes, 40 marks
- Pupils answer written questions at their own speed

Papers 2 & 3: reasoning

- Both 40 minutes, 35 marks
- Variety of problems to solve



Assessing:

- Number and place value, approximation and estimation/rounding
- Four rules (calculations)
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Ratio and proportion
- Algebra
- Measurement
- Geometry: properties of shape
- Geometry: position and direction
- Statistics

Sample Science Tests

- 5 pupils from a selected 1900 schools are required to sit the Science sampling tests
- We will be informed on Monday, 27th April if we have been selected and which pupils have been selected

Scaled Scores

- Each test has a raw score. For example: total number of marks on the Reading paper is 50 marks. A pupil scores 30 marks so their raw score is 30.
- Each raw score is converted to a scaled score out of 100
- The results will indicate if the pupil has met the required standard.

Teacher Assessment

In addition to the tests, we assess the children (teacher assessment) from the work they complete in class.

The children will be assessed in the same areas as previously - Speaking & Listening, Reading, Writing, Maths and Science. This year we will be using the Interim Assessment Framework for Key Stage 2.

This teacher assessment, together with the test results, are reported to you and sent to the secondary schools.



The Tests

For each of the tests, the children will have instructions read to them in full. There is a script from which the instructions will be read and any further discussion or prompting is not permitted.

The children will work on their own in silence during the test time to ensure they are able to concentrate on their own writing, reading or maths.

SATs Week: Do the children need to bring anything?

The children will not need anything different to a normal working school day.



The school will provide all equipment for the tests.

Bringing a 'friend' ...



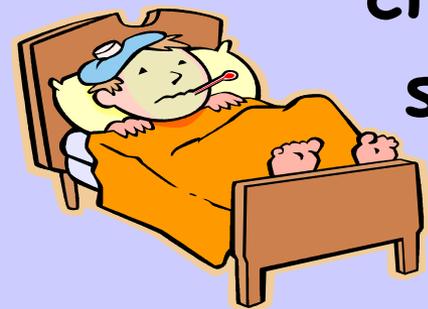
We always have requests from Year 6 about bringing 'good luck' mascots. These are more than welcome as long as they are an appropriate size. We always ask the children to bring in no more than one each.



What happens if my child is ill?

If your child is ill on any of the days during the SATs week - please ring school at the earliest possible time, as you would usually.

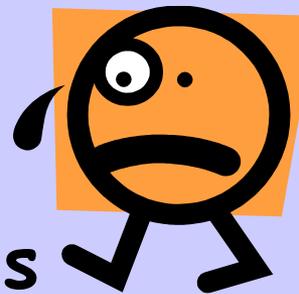
In some circumstances tests can be taken later, but the school must be informed and the integrity of the test must be strictly upheld through no contact with other children or the internet. (Best to send them in if at all possible)



SATs Week: What can we do to help?

There are a few important things that you can do to help your child during the week:

1. Ensure they have early nights
2. Give them a good breakfast in the morning
3. Encourage them to drink plenty of water
4. Talk to them and remind them that there is life after the tests! Don't let them get worked up.



SATs are only one measure of your child's attainment and progress.

Above all else

- Please ensure your child arrives on time (i.e. by 8.45 a.m.) so that they have a calm and orderly start to each day!



Preparation: What can we do to help?

To help your child be as prepared as possible to take the tests you can support their learning of concepts and skills by ensuring they:

1. Complete the set Y6 homework
2. Complete exercises in CGP revision books
3. Use the handouts to revise
4. Use websites such as Education City, Purple Mash, BBC Bitesize, etc. to practise skills

Thank you for coming today and
we hope you've found it useful.

Any questions?

