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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: KS2 SATs

Our Year 6 pupils have been working incredibly hard revising and are confident, happy and ready for the Key Stage 2 assessments, which take place on Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May, 2023. From the 24th April until 12th May, we would like to offer a before school revision club based on LbQ (Maths on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and GPS on Tuesday and Thursdays). It is open to any Y6 wishing to take part.

Please see the attached information sheet regarding the Key Stage 2 assessments and below for the timetable.

Tuesday 9th May	Wednesday 10th May	Thursday 11th May	Friday 12th May
Grammar and Punctuation Spelling	Reading	Maths Paper 1 Arithmetic Maths Paper 2 Reasoning	Maths Paper 3 Reasoning
Breakfast will be provided before the assessments between 8:00 - 8:25 am each day			

Access Arrangements:

Some children are entitled to access arrangements during the KS2 assessments to remove any potential barriers to learning. This may take the form of a reader, extra time, prompter or a scribe. If they are entitled to access arrangements, they will have already practised this in our most recent mock SATs week.

Revision

During SATs week, we will continue to work on a number of activities designed to support your child as they approach their assessments. **Their attendance in the run up to SATs and during SATs week is crucial. Please ensure your child attends school during this time.**

It is very important that you talk to your child in a positive manner about the upcoming assessments, particularly that they are 'just' a normal school day and something to take pride in to show how well they have done, not just this year, but throughout their time in primary. How we discuss and talk about the SATs has a big impact on reducing any potential anxieties.

Please rest assured that we will administer the SATs with as little pressure for the children as possible. However, if you wish to help your child at home, continue to read daily, practise spellings and make use of our online platforms, particularly the resources on Google Classroom.

Many thanks for all your support this year, and we look forward to celebrating your child's progress with you when results are shared in July along with your child's school report.

Yours faithfully

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Information about the Key Stage 2 assessments

Reading

The **reading** test for Year 6 pupils will involve one paper, consisting of a reading booklet with a selection of texts and a separate answer booklet, with comprehension questions related to the reading booklet.

English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS)

Children taking Key Stage 2 SATs will sit two separate papers in grammar, spelling and punctuation:

Paper 1 is a grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test, which will involve some multiple choice answers and some written answers.

Paper 2 is a 20-word spelling test taking approximately 15 minutes.

Maths

The Key Stage 2 **maths** test will comprise of three papers:

Paper 1 is an arithmetic test, consisting of a list of calculations to complete,

Paper 2 is problem solving and reasoning,

Paper 3 is also problem solving and reasoning.

Children will not be able to use any tools such as calculators or number lines in the tests.

Writing

Writing Composition will be teacher assessment only; there is no test.

Test papers will be sent off and marked externally and children will be given a scaled score. In addition, each child will receive an overall result saying whether they have achieved the required standard in the tests (AS) or not (NS).

Teacher assessments will also be used to build up a picture of your child's learning and achievements. Teacher Assessment judgement grades will be as follows for **Writing**:

Working below the expected standard, BLW

Working towards the expected standard, WTS

Working at the expected standard, EXS

Working at Greater Depth at the expected standard, GDS