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Tuesday 28th January 2025

Year 6 KS2 SATs Information Meeting

Dear Families,

As you will be aware, during the week beginning 12th May 2025, your child will undertake the National Standard Assessment Tests (SATs). The week will comprise of the following tests which are designed to assess your child's level of attainment at the end of key stage 2:

- English grammar, punctuation and spelling
- English reading
- Maths arithmetic
- Maths reasoning and problem solving

We fully understand that assessment periods can cause concern and worry for some pupils. We are also very aware that formal assessments can also impact upon you as parents and carers as you support your child/ children to revise and give their best effort during the assessment week.

Firstly, we would like to emphasise that although these tests are an important milestone in your child's educational journey, they are just a snapshot of what your child can do. Whilst we want all of our children to see the tests as a challenge to rise to, providing them with the opportunity to showcase what they have learnt, we also want to make it clear that one test result does not define them as a learner or a person. As teachers, we know your child's/ children's strengths and talents; most of these are not measurable in a test paper. However, we will support them to ensure that they are in the best possible place, academically and emotionally, to make the most of the week when it arrives.

We know how much you will want to support your child during the revision period leading up to May. Therefore, we have developed a robust programme of support and advice aimed at both our children and families over the next twelve weeks:

- **Additional intervention and booster support-** Mrs Ealey will be using the practice tests completed previously to identify key areas and next steps for all pupils. Some children will receive additional teaching and support sessions either from the Year 6 class teachers or a member of the Core Leadership Team.
- **Increased amount of home learning-** in the next few weeks, in addition to our usual core home learning provision (reading and TT Rock Stars), children will also start to bring home revision activities and practice test questions. Please support your child to ensure that these additional tasks are completed.
- **Targeted teaching-** in the lead up to the tests, we will be adapting the teaching arrangements in order to best support the children in their preparation for these tests.





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Finally, we would like to invite all parents and carers to an **assessment information evening on Wednesday 12th February at 5.00pm**. During this session, we will provide an overview of the SATs week along with some examples of the types of questions that the children will be presented with. We will also have CGP revision guides available for families to purchase. Although there are many forms of revision guide available in the shops and online, CGP has a strong reputation for effective revision materials that are closely matched to the style of the test papers. By purchasing them via the school, we will also be able to offer you a discount on the usual sale price.

We understand the challenges with balancing childcare and work commitments therefore we will host this meeting in person but also on Teams. An invite will be sent closer to the meeting time.

We hope that the information outlined in this letter reassures you about the support and guidance we will be providing for your child/ children over the next two terms in order to help them to be as confident and ready as possible so that they can demonstrate their learning during the SATs week. If there is anything else we can do to support you as families, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Ealey.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening of Wednesday 12th February 2024.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Neil McKellar-Turner and Steph Ealey
Headteacher Year 6 Teacher and English Lead



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