



26th April 2022

Dear Parent / Carer,

Year 6 Key Stage 2 Tests ('SATs') Monday 9th – Thursday 12th May 2021

In two weeks time, and for the first time in three years, our Year 6 children will be given the opportunity to show themselves, and those beyond the school gates, what they can achieve as they complete their 'SAT' tests.

Along with other Year 6 children across the country, this will see the children taking part in test papers administered in line with strict guidance during the mornings between Monday and Thursday of the week beginning Monday 9th May. The tests will provide information about how your child is progressing, compared to children the same age nationally, and against agreed expectations of children at this stage.

We are mindful of the different 'flavour' that these tests will bring for your children given the school closures and changes in arrangements that they have managed so well over the past two years. We also know that you are aware of these tests (many of you have supported older siblings with them) and we'd like to thank-you for all of the support, comfort and encouragement that you have given to your children during the turmoil that you have managed in recent times.

Rest assured that your children are well prepared for these tests. Over the coming days, as we seek to support their final preparations, we will ensure that they understand that adults who they know will be there to support them throughout the week and that they should have nothing to be worried about. Of course, as the tests approach your child will appreciate your ongoing support and encouragement, and should you wish to speak with us about this over the coming weeks please feel free to get in touch.

During the course of the test week there will be some changes in arrangements in school to allow the children to be given the best possible environment to demonstrate the progress they have made – among these we will be arranging for both Miss Manley and Mr Hankin's classrooms to be used for the tests. Once again children will be prepared for this along with other changes to routines during the week. At the bottom of this letter you will see the schedule for the tests – again, do get in touch with us if you want to explore arrangements in more detail.

We'd encourage all parents to support their Year 6 children by ensuring that they have a restful and enjoyable weekend before the tests so that they arrive at school healthy, happy and full of energy! **The tests will all feel familiar to them as a result of the work that they have been doing – please be comfortable reassuring them of this should they need it.**

A shared breakfast will be available for all Year 6 children during the week as we use this as an opportunity to get together and support each other every morning. This will be served from 8.30am. We would encourage your child to arrive at school at that time, put their coat and bag on their peg then meet with the rest of the class in EAT. This time together will allow them to feel comfortable and settle into each day with friends.

Thank you in advance for the support that you will provide your child, and the school, with during this week – we will seek to manage the week in the best way possible in support of your child.

Yours sincerely,

Graeme Hankin
Key Stage Two Phase Leader

Monday 9th May 2022

English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 1: **Question Paper**
English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 2: **Spelling Paper**

Tuesday 10th May 2022

English: **Reading**

Wednesday 11th May 2022

Mathematics Paper 1: **Arithmetic**
Mathematics Paper 2: **Reasoning**

Thursday 12th May 2022

Mathematics Paper 3: **Reasoning**