

What you can do to help...

Over the next few weeks, the Year 6 children will begin to start preparation for the tests. We would like to remind you of the ways in which you can help your child to do the best they can.

- Show an interest but try not to put any pressure on them – it is a chance for them to show what they can do.
- Remind your child to read every day, ask them what has happened in the story. Children need to read 7+ pages each day to build up their stamina.
- Miss Gardiner & Mrs Smyth will continue to send home SATs style questions to help the children become familiar with what will be expected within each test. We don't expect them to be completed in "test conditions" and that we would very much prefer for you to work with your child, going through the questions.
- Useful websites which children should be using at home.

www.spag.com
www.mathletics.co.uk
www.readingeggs.co.uk

What is the expected level?

For the KS2 tests a scaled score of 100 will represent the 'expected standard'. A pupil's scaled score will be based on their raw score. The raw score is the total number of marks a pupil gains in a test. The pupil's raw score will be translated into a scaled score using a conversion table, which will be published in July 2018.

For each pupil, the school will receive;

- a raw score for each pupil
- a scaled score for each pupil
- confirmation of whether or not each pupil has attained the expected standard

When will we receive the results?

The children will be given their results by their class teachers in July. You will receive the test results and teacher assessment levels, along with the annual report, at the end of the school year.

What are the results used for?

The individual test results (along with Teacher Assessments) are sent to:

- the next school, for them to use as they wish.
- the Local Education Authority, to pass onto the Government.
- Parents, so they can see how their child has performed.



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Parents' Information



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When are the tests?

Summer Term

Monday 14h May - Thursday 17th May 2018.

Year 6 children across the whole country are tested at the same time.

What is tested?

English:

- Reading
- Writing & handwriting
- Spelling
- Punctuation & Grammar

Maths:

- Arithmetic
- Mathematical reasoning

English

Reading - Written test (50 marks)

The reading booklet contains both fiction and non-fiction material and is not linked by a theme. There will be a mixture of genres of text.

Children will have a total of **one hour** to read the three texts and complete the questions. There will be three types of questions: Multiple choice, short answers and long answers.

Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar—Two written tests

The English grammar and punctuation test (50 marks) assesses your child's English skills in punctuation, grammar and vocabulary, with a greater focus on knowing and applying grammatical terminology. They have 45 minutes to complete the test.

Spellings (20 marks) — An adult reads aloud 20 short sentences, which also appear in the children's answer booklet. A single word has been missed out of each sentence and they need to write this in the space provided. They will hear each word three times. The adult will say the word once, then read it within a sentence, then repeat the word a third time. The test will take approximately 15 minutes.

Writing— Teacher Assessment

Teacher assessment throughout Year 6. Handwriting is assessed using their writing evidence. There will be no separate test.

Maths

Maths - Three written tests

Paper 1: Arithmetic paper consists of 36 questions and pupils will have 30 minutes to complete the test (40 marks).

Paper 2 & Paper 3: Mathematical reasoning. Pupils will have 40 minutes to complete each test, answering the questions in the test paper (35 marks each paper).

What is the test timetable?

The test timetable is the same for all children across the country taking the tests in May.

- ⇒ Monday 14th — Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling tests
- ⇒ Tuesday 15th — Reading test
- ⇒ Wednesday 16th — Maths papers 1 and 2
- ⇒ Thursday 17th — Maths paper 3

All of the tests will take place in the morning sessions in either a classroom, working space within the school or in the school hall.

If you have any further questions regarding Year 6 SATs then please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Rushent, Miss Gardiner or Mrs Smyth.