

Farnborough Primary School

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Dear Parents,

In May every year, children in Year 6 (end of Key Stage 2) take part in statutory assessments called Standard Assessment Tests (SATs). The children have been working incredibly hard this year and will be in a great position to fulfil their full potential in May. We have been helping the children to prepare and will continue to so that the SATs experience is a positive experience for them.

We will be holding a SATs information meeting on Friday 8th March, from 9am to 9.30am. If you have any general questions about SATs, I will be happy to answer them during this meeting. Specific arrangements for your child will be discussed at Parent's Evening later in the term. If you are unable to attend the meeting, I will be uploading the presentation shared during the meeting onto the school website, under the Year 6 class page.

The timetable for SATs week, which is dictated by the Government, will be:

Monday 13 th May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 14 th May	English reading
Wednesday 15 th May	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 16 th May	Mathematics paper 3

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 20-word spelling test taking approximately 15 minutes.
- Paper 2 is a grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test, which will involve some multiple-choice answers and some written answers. This is a 45 minute test.

<u>Reading</u>

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. This is an hour test.

<u>Maths</u>

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. (30 minute test)
- Paper 2 is problem solving and reasoning. (40 minute test)
- Paper 3 is problem solving and reasoning. (40 minute test)





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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.

All test and Teacher Assessment results will be reported to you in July along with your child's school report.

It is vitally important that your child takes part in the assessments, so please make sure that they attend school on the day of the tests unless absence is absolutely unavoidable.

Please rest assured that we will administer the SATs with as little pressure for the children as possible. On the week of the SATs, we will be running a breakfast club for Year 6 so they can arrive in plenty of time and settle themselves. We will send out a letter with further details closer to the time.

Kind regards,

Mrs Roberts

