

3rd May 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 6 SATs

As you are already aware, your child is due to take their SATs during the week commencing Monday 13th May 2019. Please find the timetable for these assessments below for your information:

	Monday 13th	Tuesday 14th	Wednesday 15th	Thursday 16th
Test	Spelling, punctuation and grammar (Spag) tests 1 and 2.	Reading test.	Mathematics Papers 1 and 2, Arithmetic and Reasoning.	Mathematics Paper 3, reasoning.

The Maths tests are designed to assess the children's knowledge of mathematics only – they are not designed to test their reading ability. With this in mind, we will be strongly encouraging all children to ask for an adult to read the maths questions aloud to them so that they can focus on the mathematical content. There will be plenty of adults on hand to support them with this, should they request it. Please reiterate the importance of asking for help with reading the maths questions to your child. The only test where we cannot read questions to the pupils is the reading test.

It is vital that your child attends school during this week, as it is very difficult to take a test at any other time apart from the dates specified by the government. If your child is too ill to attend school, please notify the office as soon as possible.

Whilst we will try to do everything we can to alleviate the pressure and stress that may be caused by these tests, we understand that some children may still feel anxious. To help relieve this and to ensure they are well prepared for each day, we would like to invite all of the year 6 children to a special, complimentary breakfast club from 8.30am on Monday 13th – Thursday 16th May. This will be free of charge. During this time, the children will be able to have breakfast and chat with the staff and their friends.