Year 2 Standard Assessment Tests Meeting

Tuesday 10th January 2023



Aims of the Meeting

To inform you of the key learning activities that your child will undertake during their Key Stage One tests (SATS)



What are the National Tests for Key Stage One?

- Children are assessed through tests in English and Mathematics to measure attainment and progress
- These inform the teacher about strengths and weaknesses of a child's understanding

- The information can then be used to identify the next steps of learning
- The tests ask questions about what your child has been learning at school
- They cover a range of different stages for the differing abilities of children.
- These are unseen tests.



When do the tests take place?

• The tests will commence on in May.

• Timing has some flexibility in Key-Stage One and the children will be allowed take a break during and between the tests, if necessary.

What do the tests cover?

- Reading
- Spelling
- Grammar & Punctuation
 - Mathematics



Reading

- The Reading Test consists of two papers, which assess the children's comprehension of the text that they are reading.
- Paper 2 is the more challenging of the reading papers as it requires the children to read, understand and refer to much more complex texts.
- Please note that the Reading Test is not simply assessing the children's reading ability. A variety of reading skills are assessed including retrieval, inferring, clarifying, summarising, predicting, ordering and discussing authorial intent.



Spelling, Grammar and Vocabulary

Year 1: Detail of content to be introduced (statutory requirement)		
Word	Regular plural noun suffixes -s or -es [for example, dog, dogs; wish, wishes], including the effects of these suffixes on the meaning of the noun	
	Suffixes that can be added to verbs where no change is needed in the spelling of root words (e.g. helping, helped, helper)	
	How the prefix <i>un</i> - changes the meaning of verbs and adjectives [negation, for example, <i>unkind</i> , or <i>undoing</i> : <i>untile the boat</i>]	
Sentence	How words can combine to make sentences	
	Joining words and joining clauses using and	
Text	Sequencing sentences to form short narratives	
Punctuation	Separation of words with spaces	
	Introduction to capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences	
	Capital letters for names and for the personal pronoun ${\it I}$	



Spelling, Grammar and Vocabulary

Year 2: Detail	Year 2: Detail of content to be introduced (statutory requirement)	
Word	Formation of nouns using suffixes such as -ness, -er and by compounding [for example, whiteboard, superman]	
	Formation of adjectives using suffixes such as -ful, -less	
	(A fuller list of suffixes can be found on page <u>46</u> in the year 2 spelling section in English Appendix 1)	
	Use of the suffixes - <i>er</i> , - <i>est</i> in adjectives and the use of -ly in Standard English to turn adjectives into adverbs	
Sentence	Subordination (using when, if, that, because) and co-ordination (using or, and, but)	
	Expanded noun phrases for description and specification [for example, the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon]	
	How the grammatical patterns in a sentence indicate its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command	



Spelling, Grammar and Vocabulary

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	Year 2: Detail	ail of content to be introduced (statutory requirement)		
	Text	Correct choice and consistent use of present tense and past tense throughout writing		
		Use of the progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense to mark actions in progress [for example, she is drumming, he was shouting]		
	Punctuation	Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences		
		Commas to separate items in a list		
		Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular possession in nouns [for example, the girl's name]		
	Terminology	noun, noun phrase		
for pupils statement, question, exclamation, command		statement, question, exclamation, command		
		compound, suffix		
	adjective, adverb, verb			
		tense (past, present)		
		apostrophe, comma		



Writing

When assessing the children's writing the following aspects will be assessed:

Working At

- Write simple, coherent narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real or fictional)
- 2. Write about real events, recording these simply and clearly
- Demarcate most sentences in their writing with:
- A. Capital letters
- B. Full stops
- C. Question marks (when required)
- 4. Use present and past tense mostly correctly and consistently
- 5. Use co-ordination (e.g. or / and / but) and some subordination (e.g. when / if / that / because) to join clauses
- 6. Segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling many of these words correctly and making phonically-plausible attempts at others
- Spell many common exception words*
- 8. Form capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower-case letters
- 9. Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.



Working at Greater Depth

- I. Write effectively and coherently for different purposes, drawing on their reading to inform the vocabulary and grammar of their writing
- 2. Make simple additions, revisions and proof-reading corrections to their own writing
- Use the punctuation taught at key stage I mostly correctly^
- 4. Spell most common exception words*
- 5. Add suffixes to spell most words correctly in their writing (e.g. <u>ment</u>, _ness, _ful, _less, _ly) *
- 6. Use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join some letters



Writing

The **final** teacher assessment that is submitted is a cumulative score based on their whole year's work. The children will **not** be formally assessed in writing during the 'SATs weeks' as there will still be over a full half-term of formal teaching and learning remaining to achieve the standard.



Mathematics

The Maths Test is made up of 2 parts. The first paper is an Arithmetic Paper and the second paper includes a range of mathematical reasoning and problem solving questions.

The Arithmetic Paper assesses pupils' confidence and mathematical fluency with whole numbers, place value and calculation. It has a total of 25 marks and should take approximately 20 minutes.

The Mathematical Reasoning Paper assesses children's ability to solve mathematical problems and reasoning. It has a total of 35 marks and should take 35 minutes.



What are the expected levels of achievement?

Historic pass rates for SATs papers are shown below:

2018	N	GD
Reading	25/40	36/40
SPaG	24/40	35/40
Maths	36/60	54/60

2019	N	GD
Reading	25/40	36/40
SPaG	24/40	35/40
Maths	34/60	53/60

2022	N	GD
Reading	26/40	37/40
SPaG	24/40	35/40
Maths	35/60	53/60



What are the expected levels of achievement?

- A new National Curriculum was introduced in 2014 and as a result the tests that children take have changed. As part of the curriculum review levels have been abolished and replaced with scaled scores. A score of 100 represents the national standard.
- In the children's end of year report, you will be informed whether your child has reached national standard.



What can I do to help?

- Read with children every night. Discuss the story content asking them simple questions.
- Help children with telling the time.
- Encourage writing at home e.g. capital letters, full stops, interesting words etc.
- Support with spellings.
- Practise letter formation and joining their handwriting.
- Support with homework.
- Practicing the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Helping children to learn their addition and related subtraction facts.

• Use calculation booklets for Mathematics (which are available on the schowebsite) and follow the school strategies for addition and subtraction etc.



Finally...

• Attendance at school is crucial in order for you child to reach their full potential.

Thank you very much for your continued support. We really do appreciate it. ©