



## Year 6 SATS WEEK Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022

To Parents/Carers of Year 6,

21st April 2022

As you all know in May 2022 the year 6 children will be taking their National Curriculum Assessments (also known as SATs). These assessments will be for Maths and English. These tests are both set and marked externally, and the results are used to measure the school's performance (for example, through reporting to Ofsted and published league tables) as well as informing secondary schools. Your child's marks will be used in conjunction with teacher assessment to give a broader picture of their attainment.

SATs week begins on Monday 9th May 2022, and there will be assessments on each day of that week excluding Friday. Your child's attendance is essential during this time, and is incredibly important during the run up to the SATs week. The timetable for the testing week is as follows:

**Monday 9th May: English reading test**

**Tuesday 10th May: English, grammar, punctuation and spelling tests.**

**Wednesday 11th May: Mathematics paper 1: arithmetic Mathematics paper 2: reasoning**

**Thursday 12th May: Mathematics paper 3: reasoning**

At school we very much encourage the children to 'try their very best' and to be resilient in their approach, even if they find some aspects of the tests challenging. We talk openly and honestly about why these tests are important to them and to us as a school. It is a time when the children can really show their learning and celebrate their successes. The tests are administered in classrooms and extended areas of the school premises, to ensure that children work in a quiet and supportive environment. Additional adults are also supporting the year 6 team to ensure that children who require extra time, or need adult support, has that option available.

To help support the children more at home, please feel free to go through the past papers we have sent home, as well as regular reading and home learning.

After the success of previous years, we will be running a breakfast session for Year 6 on SATs week. The aim is for our Year 6 children to have a calm and relaxing start to the day enjoying breakfast with their friends and teachers. We wish to minimise any pressure that the children may be feeling on the morning of each test and encourage them to eat and chat with their friends.

The SATs breakfast is another way in which we want to support your children and try to add some fun to these national tests. As a result, we would be grateful if the children could **arrive at 8.15am and enter through the hall doors**. There is no charge for this activity.

### **The breakfast will include:**

Cereal – a choice of Cornflakes or Cheerios

Toast with spread, jam or marmalade.

Fresh fruit, juice, milk or water

On the Friday, to celebrate the conclusion of SATs week, the children will have a fun day with arts, sports on the field (weather permitting) and possibly some extra treats.

Thank you in advance for your support with home learning, school attendance and helping us prepare the children for the SATs testing.

Yours sincerely,

Miss H Beacham (Head of School)