



Selwyn Primary School

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Friday 4th May 2018

YEAR 6 SATs

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have been working extremely hard all year, and the time has finally arrived for them to take their KS2 assessments (SATs). The SATs for KS2 take place between the 14th and 18th May. **It is vitally important that all children are in school, on time, every day during this time.** If there is any reason why you think your child may not be able to attend, you must call the school office as soon as you are aware there is an issue.

Breakfast

In order to ensure that children are settled and focused before the tests begin, we are pleased to be able to provide them with a full breakfast every morning during SATS week and the Friday before. Children are asked to arrive at school at 8:15am where they will be provided with a range of cooked and fresh foods to choose from, including Halal and vegetarian options.

Saturday and after school boosters

The following boosters will run as usual:

Saturday 5th: Reading, Grammar and Maths booster (9:30 – 12:00am)

Monday 7th, Tuesday 8th, Thursday 10th: (3:30 – 4:30pm)

Preparation for the tests

Throughout the year, we, as teachers, assess the children in a number of ways, including tests. We are confident that every child is ready to demonstrate their learning and progress in this way, and, therefore, these tests are nothing for your child to worry about. Please support your child in the following ways:

1. Make yourself available to talk about your child's concerns. Even though there is nothing to worry about, some children get nervous and need a reassuring hug!
2. Ensure your child has a happy and restful weekend, and that they get plenty of sleep on Sunday night and every night thereafter.
3. Please do not encourage your child to 'revise', the week of the tests: we have covered all of the areas that they need to know. Reading stories/ newspapers and talking to your child is preparation enough.
4. Talk through the timetable with your child so that they are aware of what is coming up each day. Each level test will be administered in the morning; the rest of the day will be spent preparing for the following day.

Timetable



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Date	Activity
Monday 14 May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 15 May	English reading
Wednesday 16 May	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 17 May	Mathematics paper 3

There will be no tests on Friday; this will be a day to reward ourselves for all our hard work! As stated previously, breakfast will still be provided for those that wish to come in early.

Fasting during SATs

We are aware of the fact that Ramadan may fall during this period and some of the children may want to fast. It is their right to fast if they wish; however to ensure that they are in the best physical and mental health, we are asking that parents exercise wisdom in making this decision. It has always been the view of local religious leaders that children can be excused from fasting during this time and can begin fasting after they have completed their assessments. If your child intends to fast during SATs, please can you contact Ms Bogle via the school office. If we are not notified we will assume that your child is not fasting.

Thank you for your continued support,

Lisa Bogle

Daniel Noonan

Michelle Vincent

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