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5 May 2023

Dear Year 6 Parents/Carers,

**Re: Key Stage 2 SATs – final arrangements**

In the week beginning Tuesday 9 May, Year 6 children nationwide will be taking their end of Key Stage 2 SATs. The timetable for these is shown below:

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| **Date** | **Test** | **Duration\*** |
| Tuesday 9 May | English - Grammar and Punctuation  English - Spelling | 45 minutes  Approx 15 minutes |
| Wednesday 10 May | English – Reading Comprehension | 1 hour |
| Thursday 11 May | Maths – Paper 1 Arithmetic  Maths – Paper 2 Reasoning | 30 minutes  40 minutes |
| Friday 12 May | Maths – Paper 3 Reasoning | 40 minutes |

\*unless additional time has been granted for individual students

This timetable is issued by the Department for Education and must be strictly followed. Schools may decide on the timing of the tests on each day. On Tuesday and Thursday, when there are two separate tests, there will be a break between papers.

**We will be having a ‘SATs Breakfast’ at 8.30am on each of the test days, which all Year 6 children should attend**. Children should arrive promptly at 8.30am outside the Year 6 classroom where the Year 6 staff will meet them. This will ensure that everyone is at school in good time each day; it will also provide an opportunity for the children to spend some time relaxing and preparing for the tests together. Childrens’ feedback from previous years regarding breakfast was very positive, particularly helping them prepare for each day.

The equipment needed for the tests will be supplied by school and the children will not be permitted to take anything into the tests with them. There will be a clock visible in the rooms where the tests take place, so watches (particularly those that make a noise) need not be worn.

Please ensure your child gets plenty of rest during this period leading up to SATs week. We have all worked hard to prepare for these tests and hope that everyone will be able to show their true potential on the day. Anyone who is absent from school during SATs week will not be able to sit the tests at a separate time, so - unless an absence is absolutely unavoidable - all Year 6 pupils must attend school on the above dates.

The children have been working exceptionally hard and we know that you are continuing to support them at home.

Regards

Mrs Ellwood and Mrs Bennett