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# End of Key Stage 2 Assessments 2024 Parent Information



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# What are end of key stage 2 assessments?

What you might know as SATs, or standard attainment tests, are national curriculum tests that are usually taken by children at the end of key stage 2.

- All children are assessed during the last term of Year 6; for 2024, this is in the week beginning 13th May.
- The aim of the tests is to establish whether pupils are working at an expected level in English and maths for the end of primary school and the start of secondary school.
- The results of the tests do not tell us how accomplished children are in other areas, such as sport, music or art.
- Pupils sit six different tests in three subject areas: Maths, English Reading and English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling.
- English Writing and Science judgements are made by the pupils' teachers through teacher assessment, based on evidence of independent writing and work gathered over the course of Year 6.

# When do they happen?

Every primary school will test their pupils on the same subject at the same time during the week beginning 13th May 2024. The schedule of tests for this year looks like this:

Assessment week 2024	Tests
Monday 13th May	<b>English grammar, punctuation and spelling</b> Paper 1: questions, paper 2: spelling
Tuesday 14th May	<b>English reading</b>
Wednesday 15th May	<b>Mathematics</b> Paper 1: arithmetic, paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 16th May	<b>Mathematics</b> Paper 3: reasoning



# What are the children tested on?

## English grammar, punctuation and spelling

### **Paper 1: questions (45 minutes) 50 marks**

A combined question and answer booklet which assesses pupils' understanding of the grammar, punctuation and spelling elements of the national curriculum English programmes of study for key stage 2.

### **Paper 2: spelling (15 minutes but not strictly timed) 20 marks**

The paper that pupils receive has 20 sentences, each with a missing word. The teacher reads the sentences one at a time and pupils write in the missing word on their paper.

## English reading

### **(1 hour) 50 marks**

Pupils will have a reading booklet with three different texts to read and a corresponding question and answer booklet. The texts are presented in increasing levels of difficulty. Pupils' comprehension skills will be assessed against the comprehension elements of the English programme of study for key stage 2.



# What are the children tested on?

## Mathematics

### **Paper 1: arithmetic (30 minutes) 40 marks**

Pupils will have a booklet of arithmetic questions based on the national curriculum programmes of study for maths at key stage 2.

### **Papers 2 and 3: reasoning (40 minutes each) 35 marks each**

Both papers will ask children to reason and solve problems, again based on the national curriculum maths programmes of study.



# How are the tests administered?

- Both Year 6 Classrooms are used with Mr Knighton and Mr Stoker supervising.
- Mrs Davis, Mrs Boyd and other Teaching Assistants will work with small groups of children who may require additional time.
- Some Teaching Assistants will work 1:1 with some children when this is normal classroom practice.
- We will sit the tests in two groups to ensure smaller numbers in the classrooms and small groups – the children will be kept apart until they have all taken the test.



# What happens with the results?

- For 2024, school results in the end of key stage assessments will be published on the [Key Stage 2 Performance Measures Website](#).
- School results will be shared with the school, their local authority or academy trust and Ofsted to support school improvement.
- Scans of marked pupil test papers and test results are published online in July and can be accessed by the school.
- Each child will receive a scaled score for their performance on the tests. This is a score between 80 and 120, where a score of 100 is considered to be working at the expected level of attainment at the end of primary school.
- We will share pupils' results in their end of year written report, which is sent home to parents in July.





# How can I help my child?

Support your child to complete any home learning tasks sent home, such as spelling activities, reading comprehensions and maths sheets.

Use online activities suggested by your child's class teacher to practise skills at home.

Make sure they go to bed at a reasonable time and arrive at school on time during the assessment week. We will provide breakfast for them all.

Encourage them to try their best, commend their efforts and plan to celebrate their hard work at the end of the testing week, rather than focusing on the test results.

