SATs Information Evening

Monday 25th March 2024



Department for Education



Aims of the Session

What are the SATs? How do the tests take place? How are the tests graded? What will the week look like? The Reading Paper The GAPS Paper The Maths Papers How can I help my child? Questions



What are the SATs?

The end of KS2 assessments are sometimes informally referred to as 'SATs'. They are statutory assessments.

* SATs week across the country begins on 13th May 2024.

Pupils will complete SATs test papers in:

- Reading
- Grammar, Punctuation & Vocabulary
- Spelling
- Arithmetic
- Mathematical Reasoning 2 papers

Other areas, like writing, are assessed using evidence collected by the teacher over a longer period of time.



How do the tests take place?

- The tests all take place in normal school time, under test conditions.
- Pupils will not be allowed to talk to each other during the tests.
- The completed papers are sent away to be marked externally.
- Results are returned to school in July.
- The tests vary in length but last no longer than 60 minutes:
 - <u>Reading:</u> 60 minutes
 - Grammar, Punctuation & Vocabulary: 45 minutes
 - <u>Spelling:</u>15 minutes
 - <u>Arithmetic:</u> 30 minutes
 - Mathematical Reasoning: 2 papers of 40 minutes each.
- Some children will receive 25% extra time and rest breaks based on assessments. If you are not sure, please speak to your child's class teacher.



How are the tests graded?

- The marked tests will provide the following information:
 - A raw score (i.e. number of marks)
 - A scaled score (see below)
 - An indication of whether the national standard has been met.
- In scaled scores, a score of 100 represents the national standard. The lowest is 80 and the highest is 120.
- After each test is marked, it will be converted into a scaled score and that will show whether a pupil is working at the national standard, or above or below it.
- A pupil will need to achieve a scaled score of 100 to show that they have met the national standard on the test.
- There are no longer separate tests for higher attaining pupils, but they might expect a scaled score of closer to 120 which would indicate the pupil is working above the expected standard.
- When your child receives their end of year school report, their SATs results will be included separately.



What will the week look like?

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
GAPS	Reading	Arithmetic Maths Paper 1	Maths Paper 2

The Year 6 team will be there each morning to greet the children and answer any questions.

There will be breakfast each morning in the Junior School Hall (drop off times TBC).

Mrs Reding will do a wake-up shake up each morning once the children have had their breakfast.







The Reading Paper

- The test assesses whether pupils' comprehension of age appropriate texts meets the national standard. There will be numerous questions on inference, vocabulary and authorial choice.
- Pupils will have 60 minutes to complete the test, including reading the texts and writing the answers.
- The test will have three different texts to read, drawing on fiction, non-fiction or poetry.
- Questions are focused around the following areas (called 'content domains'):
 - give/explain the meaning of words in context
 - retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction
 - summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph
 - make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text
 - predict what might happen from details stated and implied
 - identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole
 - identify/explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases
 - make comparisons within the text
- There are a range of answer types, including multiple choice, short one-word answers and longer answers that require a written paragraph.



The Reading Paper - Examples

Look at Anousheh's blog entry for September 27th.

Explain how Anousheh felt about being in space that day.

2 marks

1 mark

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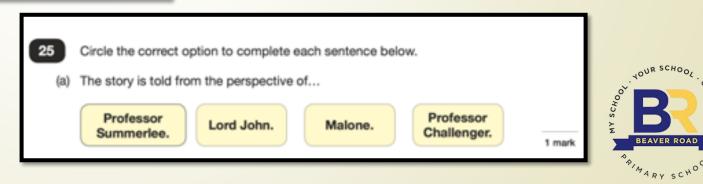
Gentle, and small, and frail

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How do these words make the reader feel about the snail?

	Fact	Opinion
Anousheh Ansari kept an online diary.		
Brushing your teeth in space is a joy.		
Being weightless is endlessly entertaining.		
ourists can stay on the International Space Station.		



The GAPS Paper

- There are two tests: a short spelling test and a longer paper testing grammar, punctuation and vocabulary.
- The spelling test lasts approximately 15 minutes and pupils will need to spell words in context by filling in the gaps in sentences.
- The grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test lasts for 45 minutes.
- Pupils need a good working knowledge of technical vocabulary used to describe grammatical terms and punctuation marks.
- Questions in the grammar test are focused around the following areas (called 'content domains'):
 - Grammatical terms/word classes
 - Functions of sentences
 - Combining words, phrases and clauses
 - Verb forms, tenses and consistency
 - Punctuation
 - Vocabulary
 - Standard English and formality
- There are a range of answer types in the grammar test, including multiple choice and short one-word answers, but there will not be any long written answers required.



The GAPS Paper - Examples

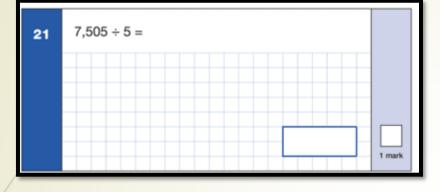
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The Maths Papers

- There are three tests: one arithmetic paper and two reasoning papers.
- Paper 1 (arithmetic) lasts 30 minutes and assesses pupils' confidence using methods of calculation as well as fractions, decimals and percentages. It covers curriculum content from all of KS2.
- Papers 2 & 3 (reasoning) last 40 minutes each and focus on problem solving, fluency and applying mathematical reasoning.
- Questions cover the following areas (called 'content domains'):
 Number and place value
 - Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division (calculations)
 - Geometry properties of shapes
 - Geometry position and direction
 - Statistics
 - Measurement
 - Algebra
 - Ratio and proportion
 - Fractions, decimals and percentages.
- Questions will increase in difficulty as the paper progresses and not all children will complete the papers.



The Maths Papers - Examples



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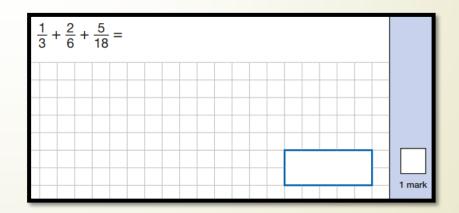
A shaded isosceles triangle is drawn inside a rectangle.

The area of a rugby pitch is 6,108 square metres.

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A football pitch measures 112 metres long and 82 metres wide.

How much larger is the area of the football pitch than the area of the rugby pitch?



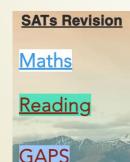


How Can I help my Child?

- Help children not to feel worried or pressured about SATS. All that is asked is that they try their best. Do give lots of praise and encouragement!
- Help children with organising their homework (including spellings and mental arithmetic) and support their reading for pleasure activities.
- Help them to have early nights and a healthy diet.
- Help your child to have the best possible attendance at school.
- Please speak to a member of staff if you have questions or concerns.

https://www.learnlemons.com/copy-of-english





Link to past papers:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/nationa I-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials





The Zoom call will remain open for the next 10 minutes. If you have any questions, please write them into the 'chat' box and I will include them in a FAQ document. These will be sent out along with these slides and any other important information.

Myself or class teachers are also available should any questions or worries arise in the future.

Questions:

Can We have a copy of the methods videos for Maths?

Yes – I will get our Maths ambassadors to create videos and put them onto our year group class page.

Are the format of the tests paper based?

Yes they are paper based.

Are the breakfast/wake up shake ups on for the Mock Week?

No – but they will run every day during SATs week.

Where will any methods for Maths be uploaded?

We will upload these onto the class Seesaw pages.

Can you share the learn lemons information?

www.learnlemons.com You will find a 'SATS revision' tab.