



Friday 10th May 2024

Year 6 SATs week

Dear Parents/Carers,

Next week is Year 6 SATs week. Your child will sit assessments in reading, maths and spelling, punctuation and grammar. Please see below for next week's assessment timetable.

Monday 13th May	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Paper 1- Short Answer (45 minutes) Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Paper 2- Spelling Test (15 minutes)
Tuesday 12th May	Reading (1 hour)
Wednesday 13th May	Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic (30 minutes) Maths Paper 2: Reasoning (40 minutes)
Thursday 14th May	Maths Paper 3: Reasoning (40 minutes)

Supporting Your Child – Setting them up for Success

You know your child best, and the support you have given so far has been hugely valuable. There are a few things that will especially help your child to feel positive and prepared next week:

- **Arriving on time** by 8.55 at the latest – lateness can cause increased anxiety and arriving on time means children enjoy their mindful moment and last-minute motivation from Mrs Mpofu!
- **Getting plenty of sleep** with screens away and a relaxing read before bed – if your child is tired, they are unlikely to achieve their very best.
- **Eating a healthy breakfast** – if your child is hungry, this can impact on their energy and confidence
- **Hearing your positive words of encouragement** – they mean the most, so please take the time to remind your child that their best will **always** be enough and that their hard work is what we are celebrating.

It is really important that your child attends school every day next week, and is only absent in the case of an emergency or illness that would prevent them from taking the test. If this is the case, please inform us as soon as you are aware, so the appropriate arrangements can be made. Maths and reading clubs will not run in SATs week.

As always, your child's wellbeing is our priority. Please be assured that we take time on each assessment day to ensure children feel calm, positive and confident before starting their papers. We take a mindful moment as a team and adults remind children how to regulate if they feel worried, what to do if they feel stuck and how to focus on how proud they are of themselves, rather than on any questions that they found challenging. Our message is always clear: if you have tried your best, no one could ask more. Every child in Oak class deserves to feel hugely proud of the commitment they have shown to their learning this year, and before, and should see this SATs week as a celebration of their achievements and a chance to shine!

Thank you for your ongoing support and please do not hesitate to be in contact if you have any questions.

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