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# Scissett C.E. (A) First School



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Dear Parents,

Please find enclosed a copy of your child's Key Stage 1 Teacher Assessment results. An explanation is given at the bottom of the page for your reference.

There have been significant changes to the testing arrangements this year, with the introduction of an 'Interim Assessment Framework' for reading, writing, mathematics and science. Statutory Assessment Tests (SAT's) are used to inform the teacher assessment also. This year's results are the first to reflect the changes within testing under the introduction of the National Curriculum 2014. Children in Y2 have to meet **all** of the statements in the Interim Assessment Frameworks and demonstrate these on many occasions to achieve the expected standard. This has meant that some children are not able to demonstrate at the expected level as they may have one small part of the standard that they are not consistently demonstrating or confidently doing all of the time. To demonstrate attainment at greater depth, children must demonstrate all of the statements for greater depth in addition to all of those for the expected level.

The tests and tasks used to inform the teacher assessment result are very different to those used previously and the previous National Curriculum levels are no longer used. A copy of the Interim Assessment Frameworks is attached so that you can see how the judgements are made. As you will see, the government has raised the standard they expect of pupils of this age. For this reason, the results should not be compared with results from previous years. Our internal assessment procedures enable us to focus clearly on children's targets to move pupils' forwards in their learning. We are confident that our pupils have made good progress from their starting points and that the teacher assessment results are a true reflection of the achievements of our current year 2 in line with the new systems. This was confirmed during our moderation visit at the beginning of June, where the moderators praised the professionalism of staff and the thorough approach to assessment that had been taken.

Please do not worry if your child does not appear to have achieved the expected standard. The tests are used to identify any gaps in learning for individuals and plan teaching so that we can build on children's individual progress and help children to meet their next steps. There are some pupils who may not have achieved at the expected level or at greater depth, who **would** have met the national expectations or performed beyond expectation last year. This is the case for schools both in our local authority and nationally.



Please note that for science there is no measure for 'greater depth', the assessment is a judgement of whether or not children have met the expected standard or not.

We hope that you will be pleased with children's individual achievements and progress made over the year, and will celebrate this with them. If you have any questions about the teacher assessment results or would like to ask about the assessment process please feel free to discuss this with your child's teacher.

**Yours Sincerely,**

**Elaine Watson**  
**Headteacher**