

# End of Key Stage One Assessment



Information for parents  
**Year Two**

May 2016

## Key Stage One Tests

Your child will be taking the National Curriculum tests (SATs) during May 2016. Children have undertaken SATs in Year Two for a number of years. Usually schools are free to take these at any time of the year. This is the first year that children are being tested on the new National Curriculum and there are new tests which must be taken during May 2016.

At our school, the children will be undertaking the tests between Monday 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May. The tests consist of:

English reading	2 papers
English grammar, punctuation and spelling	2 papers
Mathematics	2 papers

The children will take the tests in the classroom with their teacher. They have already undertaken similar activities with their teachers and many will not even be aware that they are taking a test.

### Q. How can you help your child with the test?

- Ensure your child has a good breakfast before they come to school.
- Make sure they have their water bottle in school – there is lots of evidence that says drinking water helps brain function!
- Don't worry about the test. Your child may pick up on any worries you have. It is important that your child is not anxious.

### Q. Do all children have to take the tests?

All children in Year Two are expected to take the tests unless the child cannot access the test for any reason (for example if they are working some way below the expectations for the year group). Your child's class teacher will let you know if they think your child is not ready to take the test.

### **Q. Why are children taking these tests?**

The tests will provide information about how your child is progressing, compared to Year Two children nationally. Teachers will use the information from these tests to inform their teacher assessments.

### **Q. What are teacher assessments?**

Teacher assessment is used to report children's attainment and progress to parents. Teachers assess the children against the 'Expected Standard' for their year group. Teachers will use the results from the SATs to help them reach an overall judgement of the standards the children have achieved in English Reading, English Writing, Mathematics and Science.

You will receive the results of your child's teacher assessments in their end of year report.

### **Q. How can you ensure your child meets the Expected Standard?**

- Your child's class teacher will share your child's targets with you. Your child may benefit from additional practice at home in these areas. We will also be doing lots of practice in school!
- Ask your child about what they are learning in school. By talking it over, this will help reinforce what they have learnt and make even greater progress.
- Ensure your child attends school every day and on time. If they miss just one lesson it can be harder for them to catch up.

### **Q. How can I find out more?**

Please come along to our Year Two Parents Meeting on

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May  
2:45 – 3:15pm  
Infant School Hall