YEAR 6 SATs 2026-27

2027 KS2 NATIONAL CURRICULUM TESTS: INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

If you have a child in year 6, at the **end of key stage 2 (KS2)** they will take national curriculum assessments in: ***English grammar, punctuation and spelling; English reading and mathematics.*** ***T***hese tests are usually referred to as SATs.

WHAT ARE KS2 TESTS?

Pupils in Year 6, at the end of Key Stage 2, take national curriculum assessments in:

- English (grammar, punctuation x1 and spelling x1 paper)
- English reading (x1 paper)
- Mathematics (x1 arithmetic paper and x2 reasoning papers)

PURPOSE:

- To measure how pupils compare with national curriculum standards. GOV.UK
- To help identify where a child might need extra support. GOV.UK
- To contribute to public reporting on school performance.

WHEN ARE THE TESTS?

KEY DATES:

Date	Subject	Test papers
Monday 10 May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling	Paper 1: questions Paper 1: spelling
Tuesday 11 May	English reading	English reading
Wednesday 12 May	Mathematics	Paper 1: arithmetic Paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 13 May	Mathematics	Paper 3: reasoning

ADD THEM TO YOUR CALENDAR!

Please note: If a child is absent on a test day, there may be provision to take the test up to 5 school days after - but the school must apply and get approval for this.

WHEN & HOW YOU'LL GET RESULTS

- Schools will be able to view KS2 test results from ***Tuesday 6 July 2027***
- Parents should receive results and teacher assessments by the end of the summer term.
- Schools will also offer a chance for you to discuss your child's overall performance before the summer holidays.
- If there's concern about how a test was marked, schools can request reviews of marking. If changes are needed, they are made after reviews conclude (end of summer holidays).
- The secondary school your child will attend will also have access to the results to help plan support.

OTHER ASSESSMENTS:

- There are no tests for English writing or science at the end of KS2. These are judged through teacher assessment.
- Teacher assessments are based on a child's overall work in that subject.
- **In English writing, teacher judgements may be externally moderated by the local authority.**

If a child is working below national curriculum standards in one or more subjects:

- They may be assessed under pre-key stage 2 standards, if they are engaged in subject-specific study.
- Or via the Engagement Model, if not engaged in subject-specific study.
- The school informs parents if one of these alternative assessments applies.

TIPS AND TRICKS FOR KS2 SATS:

- *Stay positive – SATs are just a snapshot, not the full story.*
- *Encourage confidence – remind them of their strengths beyond tests.*
- *Celebrate effort – reward hard work, not just results.*
- *Stay calm – your attitude towards the tests sets the tone.*

Click or scan the QR code for previous SATs papers materials.
PLEASE NOTE: Please DO NOT use 2024, 2025 or 2026 materials as we will be using these in school.