

Wednesday 26th April

Key Stage 1 assessments and testing

Dear parents and carers,

Your child's end of Key Stage 1 assessments are almost upon us. At the end of year 2, children's learning is assessed within the 'SATs'. The SATs are a series of tests that your child will complete to demonstrate their learning. We know that a test does not reflect the wider talents of your child and we recognise that we have creative artists, talented footballers, imaginative playmakers and sociable, chatty children. The tests are completed by Year 2 children across the country, and will be completed in small groups so the children can work without feeling stressed or anxious.

The tests, and other assessments, will enable your child to demonstrate their learning, and support them in their transition to year 3. We are encouraging the children to do their very best in order to ensure that they start year 3 in the best position for themselves.

Children across the country will complete the tests across the month of May. We ask for good attendance during this time to ensure that your child is able to complete the tests and we ask that they arrive on time. We will use the term 'quizzes' with the children as they are very used to working in this way.

We will use the quizzes, alongside work completed in class, to make our own judgements about how your child is progressing at the end of Key Stage 1 (Year 2). This will be reported to you in your child's final school report of the year.

Here is an overview of the 'quizzes' that your child will complete:

Subject	Test paper
English reading	Short text and questions Long text with separate questions
Mathematics	Arithmetic Mathematical reasoning
English grammar, punctuation and spelling (optional test)	Spelling Punctuation and grammar (including vocabulary)

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to speak to Miss Howard, Miss Storey or myself.

Kind regards,

Mrs G.Sherwin

Head of School

