



# SATS information

## Spring term 2026

### Key Stage Two



## **What are SATs?**

They are a series of tests to allow pupils the opportunity to demonstrate the skills and knowledge they have gained during Key Stage Two.

### **The tests are as follows:**

- Mathematics
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
- Reading

There is no formal test for writing as it is assessed throughout the year.



## When are the tests?

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May

English Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Paper 1: Grammar and Punctuation test (45 mins)

Paper 2: Spelling (20 mins approx.)

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May

English Reading test (60 mins)

### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Mathematics Paper 1: Arithmetic (30 mins)

Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning (40 mins)

### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

Mathematics Paper 3: Reasoning (40 mins)





## Tests and Scores

- Each child takes the same tests as there are no level 6 test papers.
- If a pupil achieves a scaled score of 100 or above, then they have passed the test and are working at the ‘expected’ standard for Year 6.
- A score of 110 or more is working at ‘greater depth’.

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English grammar, punctuation and spelling	
Raw score	Scaled score
0	No scaled score (N)
1	
2	
3	80
4	80
5	80
6	81
7	82
8	83
9	84
10	84
11	85
12	86
13	87
14	87
15	88
16	88
17	89
18	90
19	90
20	91
21	91
22	92
23	92

English grammar, punctuation and spelling	
Raw score	Scaled score
24	93
25	93
26	94
27	94
28	95
29	95
30	96
31	96
32	97
33	97
34	98
35	98
36	99
37	99
38	100
39	100
40	101
41	101
42	102
43	102
44	103
45	103
46	104
47	104

English grammar, punctuation and spelling	
Raw score	Scaled score
48	105
49	106
50	106
51	107
52	107
53	108
54	109
55	109
56	110
57	111
58	111
59	112
60	113
61	114
62	115
63	116
64	117
65	118
66	120
67	120
68	120
69	120
70	120

Here you can see that the raw score (marks from the test) of 38/70 would give the child a scaled score of 100 (meeting the expected standard)

A raw score of 56/70 would give a scaled score of 110 (greater depth)

- Maths paper 1, paper 2 and paper 3 scores are added together to give a total raw score.
- Spellings and GPS are added together to give a total raw score.
- Reading gives its own raw score.

Each raw score is converted individually and a scaled score for each subject is given.



## GPS and Reading

The Reading Test is 60 minutes long which includes the reading time.

A range of texts will be included in the tests i.e. poetry, fiction and non-fiction.

The challenge here is time management, the test becomes more difficult as the children progress through, therefore we work a great deal on test technique.

The Grammar Punctuation and Spelling Test is completed in two separate tests:

Spelling (approx 20 minutes) and questions (45 minutes).



## Mathematics - Mental Arithmetic

This is a 30 minute test with approximately 36 questions to answer. This includes 4, 2 mark questions which are typically based on long multiplication and long division.

There is a focus on the four operations

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This include operations with fractions, whole numbers and negative numbers.





## Mathematics - Reasoning

There are two 40 minute tests.

They incorporate various elements of maths.

Pupils choose the method that is best for them.

Questions range from 1,2 and 3 marks and children are awarded marks for showing working out in the space provided.



## Support from School

- SATs club after school (this will continue until the week of SATs)
- Regular test practise
- Daily question practise
- Revision guides (CGP homework books)
- *Times Table Rockstar* sessions
- Extra *spag.com* and *maths.co.uk* sessions
- Lunch time booster sessions for Spelling and Maths



## Ideas for Home....

- Complete the revision guides.
- Times tables rapid recall.
- Encourage your child to simplify answers when calculating with fractions.
- Continue to read with/encourage your child to read as much as possible. Asking questions about the text to check recall, retrieval and inference skills is a great way to improve comprehension skills.
- Encourage your child to complete all the homework tasks.



## Test Papers to try...

Since September the children have been taking part in a SATs week each month. This is where they are given the opportunity to experience the feeling of SATs and data has been recorded to track children's progress. This has provided us with tangible data that we can use to design interventions, booster clubs and focussed objectives closer to SATs.

Practise material based on past papers is available online for free. These papers are useful to gauge an idea of what children are expected to complete within the SATs week.

<https://www.sats-papers.co.uk/>

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