

Helpful Hints for SATs

A Guide for parents

What are SATs?

- SATs are Statutory Assessment Tests (National Curriculum Tests) for all 10 and 11 year olds across England.
- All school results are usually made public.
- At 11 years old, children are expected to achieve the standard in mathematics, reading, writing and grammar, punctuation and spelling.

KS2 SATs 2025 Dates

Monday 12th May 2025

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Spelling - 20 mins

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Punctuation and Grammar - 45 mins

Tuesday 13th May 2025

Reading - 60 mins

Wednesday 14th May 2025

Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic - 30 mins

Maths Paper 2: Reasoning - 40 mins

Thursday 15th May 2025

Maths Paper 3: Reasoning - 40 mins



THIRD SPACE
LEARNING

Grammar Punctuation and Spelling Test

- The English grammar, punctuation and spelling test assesses your child's English skills in four key areas in Year 6.
- Spelling
- Grammar
- Punctuation
- Vocabulary
- The grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test is 45 minutes long.
- The spelling test is around 15-20 minutes and read aloud by the class teacher.

The Reading Test

- One hour – children can read the text and questions in their own time.
- Children read through a booklet with different types of writing.
- They answer a range of questions carrying different amounts of marks.
- The test is, generally, in order of difficulty.

The Maths Test

- Your child will have 3 tests.
- Arithmetic test paper 1 (30 minutes).
- Mathematics paper 2 (40 minutes).
- Mathematics paper 3 (40 minutes).
- Children are provided with a pencil, ruler, protractor and mirror.

Test outcomes

- Scaled score of 100 will be the expected standard.
- This will be set nationally after the pupils have taken the test.
- Results will be presented as *working towards* or *working at* the expected standard. You will also be given a scaled score somewhere between 80 and 120.
- We will receive their results shortly before reports are sent home and the information should be included with those.

Writing Assessment

- Towards expected standard.
- Working at the expected standard.
- Working at greater depth within the expected standard.

This is teacher-assessed, based on writing the children have done across the year. Our assessment is submitted at the end of June.

There is the chance of outside moderation.

How to help during SATs week...

- Ensure that your child is on time for school and in school everyday.
- Ensure they have a good breakfast.
- Ensure they have plenty of sleep each night.
- Phone the school as soon as possible if you are running late (they will have to sit separately if they are) or your child is ill.
- We will look after them. We promise. We will provide some energy-boosting snacks before the tests and have fun, relaxing activities planned for the afternoons.
- Encourage and reassure.

Any questions?