

Writing

Children's writing is also assessed. This is done entirely through teacher assessment. Over the year, your child's teacher will collect examples of writing and at the end of May will be asked to make a judgement as to whether the writing is below, at or above the expected standard for Year 6.

How are SATs marked?

Test papers are sent away to be marked and children will receive a scaled score based on an average of "100". Scores below 100 will be rated as below the expected level; with scores more than 100 considered above the expected level.

Children with SEND or EAL

For some children who have special educational needs or English as an additional language, it would not be appropriate for them to sit the tests. Instead a teacher assessment judgement will be given. Your child's class teacher will talk to you, if this is the case for your child.

Test Timetable 2022

Monday 9th May Grammar and Spelling

Tuesday 10th May Reading Paper

Wednesday 11th May Maths Paper 1 and 2

Thursday 12th May Maths Paper 3

6—17th June If selected, science test to be administered between these dates

Please note: Schools must follow this timetable strictly. We are not allowed to change the dates of tests without permission from the Government testing agency.

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Year 6 SATs

Information for parents

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What are SATs?

At the end of Year 6, all children in England sit SATs (statutory tests and tasks). These are designed to measure children's attainment and to give an indication of the progress they have made during primary school.

The tests are a combination of externally set and marked tests and teacher assessments, to give a broader picture of attainment.

This year SATs papers have been redesigned to reflect the new National Curriculum and standards. There will also be a new marking scheme to replace the old system of national curriculum levels.

At the end of Year 6, there will be tests in:

- ♦ Reading
- ♦ Maths
- ♦ Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
- ♦ Science (a select number of schools)

What is tested?

Reading

This is a 60 minute paper in which children read passages of text and answer questions.

There are various question types from labelling, ordering, "find and copy" which are worth 1 mark; to longer open-ended responses in which children may score 2 or 3 marks. The expectation is that children at this age can read fluently. Children must read and answer the paper independently.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Children will sit two tests.

Paper 1: Grammar and punctuation, 45 minutes

Paper 2: Spelling test, approximately 15 minutes

The grammar and punctuation test will include questions such as: "identify the adjectives in the sentence below" or "add an apostrophe to this sentence and explain why it is needed."

Maths

Children will sit three papers in maths: Paper 1: arithmetic, 30 minutes, written

Papers 2 and 3: solving problems and reasoning, 40 minutes per paper.

In paper 1 children will have to answer calculations, including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Children will be expected to work at speed and have confident mental maths skills.

In papers 2 and 3 children will be expected to solve multi-step problems and will be tested on the full range of mathematical knowledge including shape and measurement.

Teachers are able to read questions to the children, at their request, but may not support them with the mathematics involved.

Science

A percentage of schools will be selected to sit a science test. This will involve three 25 minute papers covering biology, chemistry and physics.