

9th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 2 SATs Parent Meeting

I would like to arrange a meeting to discuss and share information about the KS1 SATs tests that will be carried out throughout the month of May (unlike Year 6 there are no fixed dates that assessments have to be completed on). The meeting will take place on **Thursday 26th March from 3:45pm – 4:15pm.**

The purpose of the meeting will be to let you know how we deliver the assessments, explain how scores are reported and look at some sample questions. Our main priority is for the children to feel confident, supported and well prepared so that they will be able to do their best when the time comes for them to sit their SATs. Many educationalists and parents might have reservations regarding the testing of pupils and the stress and anxiety that these tests can cause, however unfortunately we cannot avoid these statutory tests.

What we can do is ensure that children feel supported throughout this process of preparing for them and that every opportunity is taken to reaffirm that they will not be letting anyone down and that they are outstanding ambassadors for our school.

The SATs do not assess all of what makes them special and unique. They do not know that some of them speak two languages, can sing or draw or that they have an amazing thirst for learning about history. They don't show the amazing artwork or the wonderful confidence they have in school performances. They do not show the increased independence the children are developing throughout Year 2, nor the positive relationships they have with other children and adults.

The scores that your child will get from these tests will tell us something, but they will not tell us everything. During the meeting there will be the opportunity for questions and clarifications which will hopefully make the process clearer for you all.

Kind regards,

Richard Farrow
KS1 Phase Leader



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