

YEAR 6 SATs 2027

A simple guide for parents and carers



What are SATs?

In May, Year 6 pupils take national curriculum tests in English grammar, punctuation and spelling; English reading; and mathematics. The tests help show attainment against national curriculum standards and can help identify where a child may need additional support.

When are the tests?

Date	Test(s)
Monday 10 May	Grammar, punctuation and spelling - Paper 1: questions; Paper 2: spelling
Tuesday 11 May	English reading
Wednesday 12 May	Mathematics - Paper 1: arithmetic; Paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 13 May	Mathematics - Paper 3: reasoning

Attendance matters: please make every effort for your child to be in school and on time throughout SATs week. If a child is absent, a missed test can only be taken later in limited circumstances and with an approved timetable variation.

What else is assessed?

There are no separate end-of-KS2 tests for English writing or science. Teachers report these through teacher assessment, based on children's overall work and performance. Writing judgements may be externally moderated by the local authority.

EASY WAYS TO HELP AT HOME

READING

Regular reading is one of the most useful things you can do.

- Ask: "What has happened so far?"
- Ask: "Why do you think the character did that?"
- Encourage your child to find evidence in the text.
- Talk about unfamiliar words and what they mean in context.

- Let your child see reading as something enjoyable - books, magazines, instructions and information all count.

MATHS

Build confidence through short, everyday practice.

- Practise times tables and quick number facts.
- Work out totals and change when shopping.
- Use cooking to practise measures, fractions and scaling.
- Talk about time, timetables and journey lengths.
- Try simple percentage questions such as 10%, 25% and 50%.
- Ask: "How did you work that out?"

SPELLING & GRAMMAR

Short, regular practice is more helpful than long sessions.

- Practise school spellings little and often.
- Look for prefixes, suffixes and word families.
- Encourage careful punctuation in everyday writing.
- Ask your child to proofread a sentence and spot errors.
- Play word games and talk about interesting vocabulary.

The best preparation

READ A little every day	PRACTISE Times tables & number facts	SLEEP Keep sensible bedtimes
EAT Breakfast helps concentration	ATTEND Be in school and on time	ENCOURAGE Praise effort and progress

Keeping SATs in perspective

SATs are important, but they are only one part of your child's education. They do not measure every strength, talent or quality. Please encourage your child to try their best without putting them under unnecessary pressure. If your child is worried, speak to their class teacher so that we can support them.

When will results be available?

Schools can access KS2 test results from Tuesday 6 July 2027. Parents should receive test results and teacher assessment information by the end of the summer term. Your child's secondary school can also access the results to help plan support for Year 7.

Our message to Year 6

Come to school, try your best and show us what you know.

Every Moment Matters