

WHYTRIG MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent or Carer

Year 6 SATs Week Arrangements

After lots of preparation, the SATs are almost upon us! Children in Year 6 will sit tests in English and Maths next week, which are then sent away to be marked externally. The children and staff have worked hard together to ensure that everyone can try to achieve their potential; over the year we have been running a number of interventions during the school day to support the children around the knowledge and skills they are being tested upon. Our message to them is quite clear. Do not worry about the tests, just do your best! We know that if they put into practice all the efforts of their hard work, they will be able to show everyone just what they can really do!

SATs Week Timetable

In SATs week, Year 6 children can attend school from 8:20 to 8:50am where they will be given their breakfast if they want it, provided by the school free of charge, in order to help give them the best possible start to the day. The tests will then take place in your child's teaching group classroom in the morning sessions on the following days, detailed in the table below:

Monday 8 th May	Tuesday 9 th May	Wednesday 10 th May	Thursday 11th May	Friday 12 th May
	SATs Breakfast 8:20 – 8:50	SATs Breakfast 8:20 – 8:50	SATs Breakfast 8:20 – 8:50	SATs Breakfast 8:20 – 8:50
BANK HOLIDAY	English: GPS (short) GPS (spelling)	English: Reading	Maths: Arithmetic Maths: Reasoning 1	Maths: Reasoning 2
	Morning session	Morning session	Morning session	Morning session

Preparation

Please ensure your child gets a good night's sleep on the night before tests and attends school punctually next week, remembering all the equipment they will need (pen, pencil, ruler etc). Any absences during SATs week should be reported in the normal manner.

As we have said this year and in past years, the children are not defined by what happens in one week of the school year. The tests assess particular aspects in given subjects on given days and we should always remember that they do not tell the whole story about that person. We just hope the children can do their best and they should get the outcomes they deserve. If you have any queries about SATs week please do not hesitate to contact your child's form teacher or our school receptionists so that we can respond accordingly.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr J Souter Head of School