St Bart's Quick Guide To: Year 6 Assessments



What is expected in Year 6?

Children are assessed in Year 6 using a combination of testing and ongoing assessment throughout the academic year. Children are expected to try their best and to be proud of their achievements, whatever the outcomes might be.



What are KS2 SATs (Statutory Assessment Tests)?

- SATs are national curriculum tests that are usually taken by the majority of Year 6 children in May.
- The majority of Year 6 children have to sit tests in Reading, SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) & Mathematics before they go to secondary school.
- They provide assessment information for primary schools, secondary schools and families.
- In doing so they assign a national standard to the assessment information passed on by a primary school.



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What happens with the test score from tests?

- Children receive a raw score from their tests (the actual number of marks they got in the test).
- The raw score is converted into a scaled score.
- A scaled score of 100 is used to show the National Expected Standard.
- There is a scaled score threshold: 80-99 = below the expected standard; 100 = expected standard; 101-109 = above the expected standard; 110-120 = higher standard

What are teacher assessments?

• A teacher assessed judgment will be made on all subjects which draws together everything the teachers know about a child, including observations, marked work and school assessments. This will be particularly important for writing and science because there are no formal SATs tests for them.



What happens with the results of the SATs tests and teacher assessments?

- The children will take the tests in May (week beginning 9th May).
- A 'teacher assessment' judgment for Writing and Science will be made towards the end of June.
- At the end of the academic year, in the end of year report, families will be given the teacher assessment judgment for all subjects and the scaled score for the formally assessed subjects (SATs test results).





What is the timetable for SATs Week (9th—12th May)?

SATs week is organised as follows:

Monday 9th May: Grammar and Punctuation test (45 minutes) & Spelling test (no time limit)

Tuesday 10th May: English reading test (1 hour)

Wednesday 11th May: Maths Paper 1 Arithmetic (30 minutes) & Maths Paper 2 Reasoning (40 minutes)

Thursday 12th May: Maths Paper 3 Reasoning (40

minutes)

• It is essential that all children attend school and arrive on time every day.



Monday May 9th 2022	English grammar, punctuation and spelling: Paper 1: questions Paper 2: spelling
Tuesday May 10th 2022	Reading
Wednesday May 11th 2022	Maths: Paper 1: arithmetic Paper 2: reasoning
Thursday May 12th 2022	Maths: Paper 3: reasoning

How can I help my child?

- Make sure your child gets plenty of sleep, have a good breakfast and arrive at school on time each day.
- Encourage your child to read daily.
- Encourage your child to read fiction and non-fiction.
- Try to ask your child questions about the text.
- Help your child with different skills of reading especially 'skim' reading where they are looking for key words in the text.
- Encourage your child to P.E.E.—make a point, provide evidence and explain.
- Support your child to complete homework.
- Encourage your child to access TT Rockstars to work on rapid recall of multiplication tables.
- Encourage your child to use BBC Bitesize to enhance learning.





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If you have any further questions, or want advice, please contact school and ask to speak to Mr Needham (Deputy Headteacher and Years 5 & 6 Phase Leader) or email year6phase@stbartsleeds.org.uk

We are always happy to help in any way we can.