

SATs - FAQs

Where will SATs tests take place in school?

Most children will be in their classrooms, but some children may be in other areas of the school. We will be using the school hall, lodge, library, work rooms and pastoral rooms. All tests will be administered by Year 6 teachers or other adults known by the children.

At what time in the school day will SATs tests take place?

All tests will be completed in the morning of each day with a high chance of them being completed by break time.

What about Writing?

Writing is teacher assessed. Dorset Local Authority moderate our teacher judgements on writing every few years. Year 6 teachers attend moderation meetings with other schools throughout the year for writing.

What level should my child reach?

National Standard by the end of Year 6. This reflects where the Department for Education thinks children should be. The National Standard score will not be released until after the SATs have taken place but nationally last year 61% of pupils reached the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths. Children will get a scaled score from 80-120 for each test. 100 is normally the expected standard (EXS). Anything below 100 will be classes as working below the expected standard (BLW/WTS). 110 or above is normally the working at greater depth (GDS) score.

When will I get my child's results?

All tests are externally marked. Results are received by schools in July and we will give these to individual pupils