



7th December 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Assalamu alaikum (may peace be upon you),

Key Stage 2 SATs

I hope that you and your family are well.

The pandemic has created considerable challenges for everyone. All children missed out on face-to-face learning during the first lockdown in spring and summer 2020 and some have experienced further disruption in the autumn term that is now drawing to a close.

In school, we have been working hard with your child to help them to catch up on any ground that they have lost and we are very grateful for your ongoing support and cooperation.

The Department of Education has made some changes to test arrangements for Year 6 pupils. The end of Key Stage 2 SATs will take place in May 2021. Pupils will take four test papers in all.

- English reading
- Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic
- Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning
- Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning

These tests are set and marked externally, and the results are used to measure the school's performance. Your child's marks are used, in conjunction with their teacher's assessment, to give a broad picture of their levels of attainment. The expected level is set to be 100, with scores ranging from 80 to 120.

The English grammar, punctuation and spelling test that Year 6 pupils usually sit has been cancelled for 2021.

It is important that your child works hard to achieve their best in Year 6 and to be well prepared for the secondary school curriculum. With this in mind, please encourage them to:

- attend school every day (unless required to self-isolate)
- participate fully and actively in online lessons if they are isolating at home
- attend all intervention sessions, one-to-one support and holiday/weekend classes that teachers offer
- complete homework on time and to the best of their ability
- continue to read as widely as possible, including from the Star Readers series
- practise their times tables

Thank you once again for the great support that you have provided to the school over this difficult year as we have all wrestled with the restrictions associated with Covid-19. It is important that everyone continues to observe the rules to minimise the spread of the virus, to safeguard our community and enable our pupils to continue learning.

If you have any concerns or queries, or need support in any way, please contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Smeena Riaz".

Mrs Smeena Riaz
Principal