

**HOW YOU CAN
HELP PREPARE
YOUR CHILD
FOR SATS**

WHAT ARE THE SAT TESTS?

- ◉ The SAT (Statutory assessment tests) are taken at the end of both Key stage 1 and Key stage 2 (year 2 and year 6)
- ◉ They are tests in Maths, Science, Reading and SPAG (Spelling, punctuation and grammar)
- ◉ The writing is internally moderated through continuous assessment. It is then moderated by the local authority.
- ◉ This year the Science test will be a sample group; if chosen, this will take place in June and be administered by the testing agency.

WHEN THE TESTS HAPPEN...

- ◉ All children will take their tests the week beginning Monday 14th May 2017.
- ◉ The tests are usually administered during the morning sessions.
- ◉ It is essential that children are in school on time during this week, especially.
- ◉ If the children are absent they will not receive an opportunity to do the tests at a later date and thus will not receive any result. (They will have teacher assessments only)

WHEN THE TESTS HAPPEN...

- Monday 14th May Reading test
- Tuesday 15th May SPAG
- Wednesday 16th May Maths Paper 1 Arithmetic and Paper 2 Reasoning
- Thursday 17th May Maths Paper 3 Reasoning

Key stage 2

Date

Activity

Monday 14 May

English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2

Tuesday 15 May

English reading

Wednesday 16 May

Mathematics papers 1 and 2

Thursday 17 May

Mathematics paper 3

WHAT OUTCOMES ARE EXPECTED?

- ⦿ Levels no longer exist; they are replaced by a scaled score.
- ⦿ 100 will be the 'expected standard'
- ⦿ Raw scores from the test will be converted into a scaled score.
- ⦿ Each child will receive a raw score, a scaled score and whether or not they are working at the expected level.

OUTCOMES BY SUBJECT

- ◉ English writing:
 - Working towards the expected standard
 - Working at the expected standard
 - Working at greater depth within the expected standard
- ◉ English reading, SPAG, Maths and Science
 - Working at the expected standard

WHAT TESTS WILL THE CHILDREN TAKE?

- ◉ Reading 1 paper
- ◉ Maths: 3 tests: 1 Arithmetic and 2 Reasoning papers
- ◉ SPAG: 2 tests (Grammar and punctuation Paper 1 and Spelling test Paper 2)

WITHIN THE READING TEST...

- ◉ The children will be given a reading booklet and a test answer paper.
- ◉ The reading booklet will contain 3 different pieces of text; Narrative and Non-fiction.
- ◉ The children will need to answer questions on all texts. (The questions will become progressively harder)
- ◉ The test is mainly based on children using inference and deduction. (working out an answer using the text and making a judgement of the text using what the author has written)

WITHIN THE SPAG TEST...

- The children will have a question and answer booklet for Paper 1. A variety of question including identifying grammatical features, using different punctuation symbols, correcting grammatically incorrect passages, finding antonyms etc...
- The second paper will be a Spelling test - A passage is read which has missing words; the teacher will read the passage including the missing words which the children will have to insert.

WITHIN THE SPAG TEST...

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What is the **word class** of the underlined word in the sentence below?

The alarm rang and Jamal immediately jumped out of bed.

Tick **one**.

conjunction

adverb

verb

determiner

1 mark

WITHIN THE SPAG TEST...

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Rewrite the underlined verbs in the sentence below so that they are in the **present progressive** form.

Jim learns French at school. He plans to ski in the Alps in the spring.

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1 mark

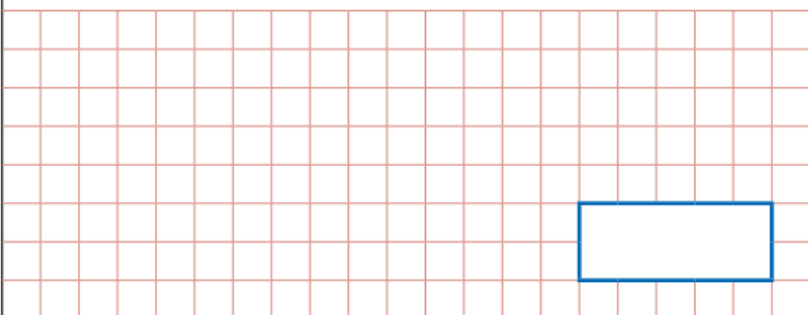
WITHIN THE ARITHMETIC TEST...

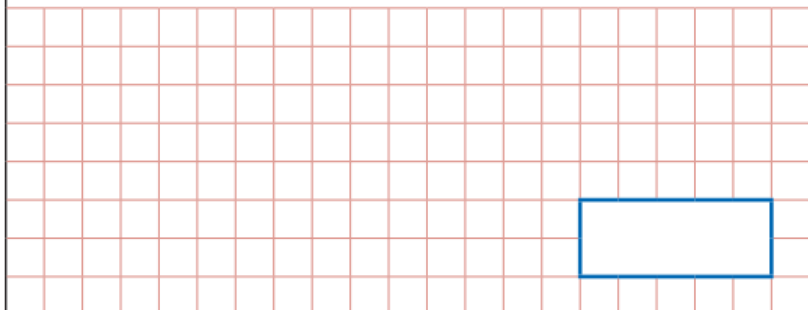
The children will be expected to use formal methods of calculation

Questions will cover...

- The four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)
- Decimals, fractions and percentages
- Negative numbers
- Square and cube numbers

WITHIN THE ARITHMETIC TEST...

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WITHIN THE ARITHMETIC TEST...

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WITHIN THE REASONING TESTS...

These tests will ask the children to use and apply their Maths knowledge and skills to solve problems and give explanations.

Questions will cover...

- ⦿ The four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)
- ⦿ Decimals, fractions and percentages
- ⦿ Angles
- ⦿ Measuring
- ⦿ Perimeter, area and volume
- ⦿ Co-ordinates
- ⦿ Time
- ⦿ Algebra
- ⦿ Money calculations
- ⦿ Line graphs and pie charts

WITHIN THE REASONING TESTS...

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Amina posts three large letters.

The postage costs the same for each letter.

She pays with a £20 note.

Her change is £14.96

What is the cost of posting **one** letter?

Show
your
method

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WITHIN THE SCIENCE TESTS...

- The children will be tested on a range of the topics studied in Primary school and their scientific enquiry skills:
- Life processes and living things; for example: Interdependence and adaptation.
- Materials and their properties; for example: Changing materials
- Physical processes; for example: Electricity

MODERATION OF WRITING...

This is assessed throughout the year on a range of different genres of writing including.

- ◉ Narrative
- ◉ Poetry
- ◉ Play scripts
- ◉ Instructional texts
- ◉ Letter writing
- ◉ Recounts
- ◉ Reports (Newspaper and non-chronological)
- ◉ Explanation
- ◉ Diary entries
- ◉ Persuasive texts
- ◉ Discussion texts

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP MY CHILD WITH THE TESTS?

- ◉ Keep practising their multiplication tables, especially multiplying numbers by 10, 100 and 1000.
- ◉ Use books available to help the children
- ◉ Give plenty of encouragement
- ◉ Set regular, quiet homework time (Half an hour an evening)
- ◉ Ensure your child completes homework and does practice papers.
- ◉ Check their progress and help them see what needs working on.

HELPING MY CHILD CONTINUED...

- ◉ Buy practice books and test papers.
- ◉ Help your child through the books bit by bit.
- ◉ Encourage your child to show their working out (they get marks for this even if the answer is wrong)
- ◉ Ask your child to talk through their working out with you (Show me how you did this one...)
- ◉ Ask them to read a question to you and tell you what it means; what you have to do e.g addition then times.
- ◉ Help them to double check their answers (Silly mistakes cost marks)

HELPING MY CHILD CONTINUED...

- ◉ Encourage your child to read a variety of books - this will expose them to more language.
- ◉ Question your child on what they have read. (Why do you think that? What will happen next? Why did the author use those words? What does that word mean?)
- ◉ Ask them to compare different books.
- ◉ Practice spellings and encourage children to use different vocabulary when talking to you (How was your day? - It was okay. How about it was fabulous?)

HELPING MY CHILD CONTINUED...

- ◉ When looking at homework encourage your children to review what they have written - what could they do to improve it?
- ◉ Finally - BE POSITIVE!!! Success breeds success!

USEFUL WEBSITES...

- ◉ www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize
- ◉ www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy.html
- ◉ www.supergran-puzzlemaker.net/games.htm
- ◉ www.nrich.org
- ◉ www.educationcity.co.uk
- ◉ www.doseity.com
- ◉ www.mathletics.co.uk
- ◉ www.woodlandsjunior.co.uk
- ◉ <https://www.mathsisfun.com/>