



St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents and families,

You'll be aware that Y6 have their national SATs week approaching. The dates of the test administrations are as follows:

Test	Date
English: Grammar, punctuation and spelling test Paper 1: short answer questions (45 minutes) Paper 2: spelling (15 minutes)	Monday 13 th May
English: Reading test Paper 1: reading comprehension (60 minutes)	Tuesday 14 th May
Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic (30 minutes) Paper 2: reasoning (40 minutes)	Wednesday 15 th May
Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning (40 minutes)	Thursday 16 th May

Breakfast Club

During SATs week, we have always offered our Y6 children a FREE breakfast club each morning. This has proven to be an incredibly important and valuable opportunity to bring all the children together for some fun, games, activities and lovely food to start each day. Children need to arrive at school for 8am each morning during SATs week. Year 6 staff will be here to meet and greet the children and ensure that every child has a calm, positive and relaxed start to the day. Children are permitted to bring their mobile phones to breakfast club, and they will then be stored in the class box until the end of the school day.

Finally

Exams and testing are an unavoidable part of our education system, and they can be useful in many ways. We obviously want to give our children every chance to succeed and be their very best, which is why we do not deny working hard to ensure every child is prepared, not just for SATs but for life-long learning behaviours.

However, at St Mary's we value our children, and their education in a way that SATs assessments cannot possibly begin to measure. There is nothing that a SATs test can tell us about your child's education that we don't already understand. We know every one of our children, their strengths, their challenges, their progress and their attainment. More importantly, we know their character strengths and their personalities. We educate the whole child, because we value every person as being created in the image and likeness of God.

If you have any questions about the SATs week, please do come and speak to Miss Moore or myself, we are here to help.

Kind regards,

Mrs Thorpe



Mass times at St Mary of the Angels Church – Sunday @ 9.00am