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Dear Parents & Carers,

KS1 End of Year Statutory Assessments 2017

As you are already aware, in the Summer term children in Year 2 will be required to take statutory KS1 End of Year assessments, also known as SATs. These tests are in English and Maths and will reflect the national curriculum that your child has been learning. The assessments are set by the Government but marked internally by class teachers.

The KS1 assessments will take place across the country during May. Children will take the assessments in whole class situations and smaller focused groups to ensure your child reaches their full potential and receives any additional support they may require. These tests will be administered by your child's class teacher and familiar adults. It is very important that your child attends school during this time as the assessments are statutory. Every child in year 2 will take the following tests:

English paper 1- Spelling test
English paper 2- Grammar and Punctuation test
English paper 1- Reading test
English paper 2- Reading test
Maths paper- Arithmetic test
Maths paper 2- Reasoning test

By the end of the Summer term you will receive your child's school report including their end of KS1 teacher assessment judgements. These judgments are made using a combination of tests results and ongoing assessment of your child's work throughout the year.

For the teacher assessment children must have reached the required standard and have evidence of all the criteria on the teacher assessment statements. This means that a child needs to meet **all** criteria within each subject to meet the expected standard. The Teacher assessment descriptors are:

- Working **towards** the expected standard
- Working **at** the expected standard
- Working **at greater depth** within the expected standard

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In order to support your child to prepare for the assessments please continue to support them with applying their learning at home through handwriting practice, the spelling of common exception words, using basic punctuation in sentences and being confident with addition and subtraction mental maths skills.

Your child is already aware they will be completing these tests as we have begun to prepare them and develop their test technique. To avoid anxiety please simply encourage your child to try their best (as always) and support them in their home learning.

If you would like further information regarding this procedure please do log onto the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-information-for-parents>

If you have any questions or concerns please do speak to your class teacher.

Kind Regards,

The Year 2 Team

Our Padnell promise to be a: **G**iving citizen
Resilient learner
Original thinker
Wise worker

