# 'SATs Information Meeting'

Thursday 10th March 2016

Aims of the meeting:



- $\checkmark$  To share the expectations and organisation of SATs
- ✓To reassure parents of any concerns about the SATs
- ✓ To provide and maintain a communication between home and school
- $\checkmark$  To discuss the support that will be available

#### Key Stage 2 SATs Changes

- In 2014/15 a new national curriculum framework was introduced by the government for Years 1, 3, 4 and 5
- However, Years 2 and 6 (due to statutory testing) continued to study the previous curriculum for one further year.
- In 2015/16 children in all years at Key Stage 1 and 2 are expected to now study the new national curriculum.
- KS1 (Year 2) and KS2 SATs (Year 6) will reflect the new curriculum for the first time this year.
- If your child is in Year 6 this year, they will be the first pupils to receive the new tests and the first to receive the new style of reporting results.



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#### Timetable 2016

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 10th May	Wednesday 13th May	Thursday 14th May	Friday 16th May
Reading test 60 mins	SPAG 45 mins Spelling 15 mins	Maths paper 1 Arithmetic – 30 mins Maths paper 2 Reasoning - 40 mins	Maths paper 3 Reasoning – 40 mins	Celebration and relaxation!
Afternoon				

#### Procedures

- 08:15 Children arrive at school for breakfast club.
- 08:50 Children go to their class to be registered.
- 09:00 Children go to the Dinner hall (or ICT suite ) and sit in pre-arranged places, which will be the same for every test.

They can take with them a water bottle, (with no labels or writing).

 Test times will vary each day. All tests will be completed before Lunchtime.

#### **Assessment and Reporting**

- 'Old' national curriculum levels (e.g. Level 3, 4, 5) have now been abolished, as set out in the government guidelines.
- From 2016, test scores will be reported as 'scaled scores'.
- This means it is very difficult to compare the assessment of a previous year with the current year.
- Your child will still be taught with the highest expectations and cover all required elements of the curriculum, similar to previous years.
- The new curriculum is more rigorous and sets high expectations which all schools have had to work hard to meet since the beginning of last year.



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#### **Scaled Scores**

- What is meant by `scaled scores'?
- It is planned that 100 will always represent the 'national standard'.
- Each pupil's raw test score will therefore be converted into a score on the scale, either at, above or below 100.
- The scale will have a lower end point somewhere below 100 and an upper end point above 100.
- A child who achieves the 'national standard' (a score of 100) will be judged to have demonstrated sufficient knowledge in the areas assessed by the tests.
- In July 2016 for the first publication of test results, each pupil will receive:  $_{\odot}$  A raw score (number of raw marks awarded).
  - $\circ$  A scaled score in each tested subject.
  - $_{\odot}$  Confirmation of whether or not they attained the national standard.

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#### **Scaled Score Examples**

On publication of the test results in July 2016:

- A child awarded a scaled score of 100 is judged to have met the 'national standard' in the area judged by the test.
- A child awarded a scaled score of more than 100 is judged to have exceeded the national standard and demonstrated a higher than expected knowledge of the curriculum for their age.
- A child awarded a scaled score of less than 100 is judged to have not yet met the national standard and performed below expectation for their age.



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# **Higher Attaining Pupils**

- Previous Key Stage 2 tests were aimed at children achieving Levels 3-5 (with a national expectation to reach at least Level 4)
- In the past, additional Level 6 tests were produced for children who demonstrated higher than expected attainment, above Level 5.
- From this year, there won't be any separate tests for the most able children.
- Instead, each test will have scope for higher attaining pupils to show their strengths.



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#### The Tests

- Key Stage 2 SATs take place nationally in the week commencing 9th May 2016.
- Statutory tests will be administered in the following subjects:
- Reading (60 minutes)
- Spelling (approximately 15 minutes)
- Punctuation, Vocabulary and Grammar (45 minutes)
- $\circ$  Mathematics
- Paper 1: Arithmetic (30 minutes)
- Paper 2: Reasoning (40 minutes)
- Paper 3: Reasoning (40 minutes)
- In addition, some schools will be required to take part in Science testing, consisting of three tests in Biology, Physics and Chemistry. Not all schools will take part in this sampling, which takes place on a later date.
- All tests are externally marked.
- Writing will be 'Teacher Assessed' internally, as in recent years.

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#### Reading

- The Reading Test consists of a single test paper with three unrelated reading texts.
- Children are given 60 minutes in total, which includes reading the texts and answering the questions.
- A total of 50 marks are available.
- Questions are designed to assess the comprehension and understanding of a child's reading.
- Some questions are multiple choice or selected response, others require short answers and some require an extended response or explanation.



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# **Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar**

- A Spelling test is administered containing 20 words, lasting approximately 15 minutes.
- A separate test is given on Punctuation, Vocabulary and Grammar
- This test lasts for 45 minutes and requires short answer questions, including some multiple choice.
- Marks for these two tests are added together to give a total for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.



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#### Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 1

#### 40

Tick one box in each row to show if the underlined conjunction is a **subordinating conjunction** or a **co-ordinating conjunction**.

Sentence	Subordinating conjunction	Co-ordinating conjunction
I like ice-skating and roller-skating.		
Jamie likes roller-skating, <u>but</u> he has never tried ice-skating.		
Jamie will go ice-skating <u>if</u> I go with him.		

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**Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 1** 

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Underline the **verb form** that is in the **present perfect** in the passage below.

Rachel loves music and has wanted to learn how to play the piano for years. She was hoping for piano lessons, and was delighted when her parents gave her a keyboard for her birthday.

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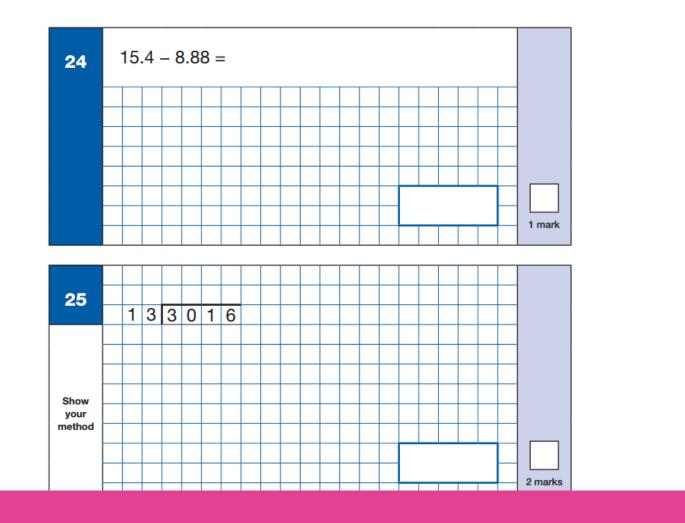
#### **Mathematics**

- The Mathematics tests have undergone the biggest change this year.
- Children will sit three tests: Paper 1, Paper 2 and Paper 3.
- Paper 1 is for 'Arithmetic' lasting for 30 minutes, covering calculation methods for all operations, including use of fractions, percentages and decimals.
- Questions gradually increase in difficulty. Not all children will be expected to access some of the more difficult questions later in the paper.
- Papers 2 and 3 cover 'Problem Solving and Reasoning', each lasting for 40 minutes.
- Pupils will still require calculation skills but will need to answer questions in context and decide what is required to find a solution.

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**Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic** 



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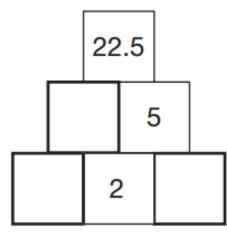
#### Maths Paper 2 / Paper 3 : Reasoning



Here is a number pyramid.

The number in a box is the **product** of the two numbers below it.

Write the missing numbers.



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2 marks

#### Maths Paper 2 / Paper 3 : Reasoning



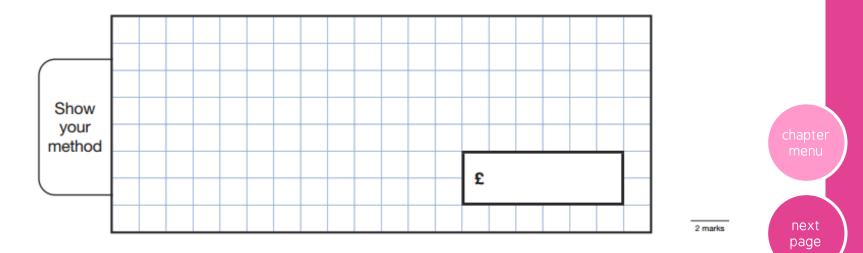
Large pizzas cost £8.50 each.

Small pizzas cost £6.75 each.

Five children together buy one large pizza and three small pizzas.

They share the cost equally.

How much does each child pay?



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# SAT's For Parents Video

# How to help your child during the SATs week

Please ensure your child:

- Goes to bed at an appropriate time
- Has breakfast and a drink (preferably at breakfast club!
- Arrives at school on time
- Has a water bottle in school
- Is prepared to do their best and is feeling positive

#### (it helps if they think you feel positive!)

 Should your child be absent due to illness, it is crucial that you contact school ASAP and do not allow your child to meet or communicate with any other children who are taking the SATs tests. We may need you to sign a document stating this.

### How to Help Your Child with Reading

- Listening to your child read can take many forms.
- First and foremost, focus developing an enjoyment and love of reading.
- Enjoy stories together reading stories to your child at KS1 and KS2 is equally as important as listening to your child read.
- Read a little at a time but often, rather than rarely but for long periods of time!
- Talk about the story before, during and afterwards discuss the plot, the characters, their feelings and actions, how it makes you feel, predict what will happen and encourage your child to have their own opinions.
- Look up definitions of words together you could use a dictionary, the internet or an app on a phone or tablet.
- All reading is valuable it doesn't have to be just stories. Reading can involve anything from fiction and non-fiction, poetry, newspapers, magazines, football programmes, TV guides.
- Visit the local library it's free!

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### How to Help Your Child with Writing

- Practise and learn spellings in their planner and look over SPaG book.
- Encourage opportunities for writing such as letters to family or friends, shopping lists, notes or reminders, stories or poems.
- Write together be a good role model for writing.
- Encourage use of a dictionary to check spelling and a thesaurus to find synonyms and expand vocabulary
- Allow your child to use a computer for word processing, which will allow for editing and correcting of errors without lots of crossing out.
- Remember that good readers become good writers! Identify good writing features when reading (e.g. vocabulary, sentence structure, punctuation).
- Show your appreciation: praise and encourage, even for small successes!

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- Play times tables games
- Play mental maths games including counting in different amounts, forwards and backwards
- Encourage opportunities for telling the time
- Encourage opportunities for counting coins and money; finding amounts or calculating change when shopping
- Refresh calculations
- Look for examples of 2D and 3D shapes around the home
- Identify, weigh or measure quantities and amounts in the kitchen or in recipes
- Play games involving numbers or logic, such as dominoes, card games, darts, draughts or chess

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# Breakfast Club

You will receive a letter about Breakfast Club. The options will be...

- Fruit
- Cereal
- Croissants

Plus fruit juice and water to drink.



We ask for a donation of 50p per day to cover the cost of the food.

#### Any Questions?

# Thank you for coming along and sharing in the meeting

- <u>SATs week 2016</u>
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May
  Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May
  Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May
  Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May



# Sex Education

- We are going to have two days for Sex Education on Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> March and Fri 1<sup>st</sup> April.
- If you have any concerns about your child participating in this section of the curriculum, please speak to a class teacher.