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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Tests (SATs) for Year 6 pupils are almost upon us and we thought it would be useful for you to know when the tests were taking place. The timetable below is statutory and will begin on **Monday 12th May**.

Monday 12 th May	Tuesday 13 th May	Wednesday 14 th May	Thursday 15 th May
English grammar, punctuation and spelling test Paper 1: short answer questions (45 mins) Paper 2: spelling (15 mins)	English reading test Paper 1: Reading comprehension (60 mins)	Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic (30 mins) Paper 2: reasoning (40 mins)	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning (40 mins)

On each day of the tests (Mon to Thu), we are offering children a free '**Breakfast Club**' which will take place **from 8:00am in the School Hall**. It will be an opportunity for the children to get together, enjoy breakfast snacks and squash, play games and relax with their friends to prepare them for the day ahead. Children can access the school through the main front entrance each day from 8am.

There are also some very practical things that you can do to help prepare your child. For example:

- During SATs week ensure they **eat a good breakfast, bring a water bottle and arrive at school in plenty of time**;
- Emphasise how important it is to **get a good night's sleep**;
- Talk about the tests and ensure that they keep them in perspective;
- Remind them that in all of the tests, with the exception of the Reading paper, staff are able to read questions aloud to them;
- Ensure that they continue to take part in their normal range of activities as well as having plenty of time for rest and relaxation.
- Let us know in plenty of time if your child is feeling unwell.

We will continue to emphasise that all the children can ever do is to try their best and that this is what we expect them to do. We also stress how important it is to be proud of their achievements, whatever 'standard' they may achieve.

Kind regards

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Mr Cairey

Year 5/6 Phase Leader

