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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, this year your child will be sitting their KS1 SATs. These are statutory national tests and all Year 2 children will have to take them however we will not refer to them as tests when speaking to the children.

We will aim to make the testing as stress free as possible for the children and we will explain that the papers are an opportunity for them to show us how much they have learned this year.

The exams will take place the week beginning Monday 11th May and all children will sit papers in Reading Comprehension, Mathematics (arithmetic and reasoning), Spelling and Grammar.

No child that fails their SATs will be made to retake the year, however KS1 SATs are a reliable indicator of a child's future GCSE results. This means that a child who passes their KS1 SATs is much more likely to pass their GCSEs in the future.

For this reason, it is important that you support the school in helping your child to reach their full potential at this early stage.

In order to do this you can do the following:

- Support your child in completing their homework every week.
- Read to your child regularly and listen to them read for a minimum of 20 minutes a day.
- When you do listen to your child read, encourage speed and fluency, and ask questions about the text to make sure that they have understood what they've read.
- Support your child in recalling their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and the associated division facts.
- Direct your child to websites such as www.timestables.co.uk where they can practice what they know.
- Purchase CGP SAT Buster books in Reading, Arithmetic and Reasoning (available in WHSmith, Amazon, Waterstones etc.)



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After the SATs, your child will also be assessed in their writing. In doing this teachers must take into account the children's handwriting, spelling, punctuation and grammar. Therefore, we would also encourage you to give your child opportunities to write at home. Stories, letters and diary entries give children the chance to practise using all of the skills that they have learned in class.

If you have any further questions about the upcoming SATs or how you can support your child to pass them, please do not hesitate to ask myself or Ms Giddings.

Yours sincerely,

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