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KS2 SATs: Information for Parents

What are SATs?

At the end of Y6, English schoolchildren sit national tests in reading, maths and English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS). These tests are both set and marked externally, and the results are used to measure the school's performance.

How are SATs marked?

Instead of the previous national curriculum levels, children are given scaled scores and details of whether they have reached the expected year 6 standard.

The scaled scores for the KS2 test range between 80 (the lowest possible scaled score) and 120 (the highest possible scaled score). The expected standard for each test is a scaled score of 100 or more.

The children's results are reported to school in July and will then be subsequently relayed to parents and carers.

KS2 SATs 2022 timetable

The Year 6 KS2 SATs will be administered in the **week commencing 8th May 2023**.

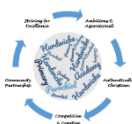
Please note a change to the 'usual' KS2 test schedule due to the additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III taking place on Monday 8 May 2023.

Tuesday 9th May 2023 2 papers	English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 1: questions and Paper 2: spelling
Wednesday 10th May 2023 1 paper	English reading
Thursday 11th May 2023 2 papers	Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic and Paper 2: reasoning
Friday 12th May 2023 1 paper	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning

Do all children have to take SATs?

In England, the tests are compulsory for all.

KS2 reading



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The reading test is a single paper with questions based on three passages of text. Your child will have an hour, including reading time, to complete the test.

KS2 grammar, spelling and punctuation

The GPS test consists of two parts: a grammar and punctuation paper requiring short answers, lasting 45 minutes, and an aural spelling test of 20 words, lasting around 15 minutes.

KS2 maths

Children sit three papers in maths: Paper 1 (arithmetic, 30 minutes), Papers 2 and 3 (reasoning, 40 minutes each).

How can I support my child in preparing for their SATs?

Firstly, a positive attitude goes a long way – so as much encouragement and support as possible (but we don't need to tell you that)! In addition to this, please ensure your child gets plenty of sleep the night before their papers. Finally, please make clear to your child that all we are after is their best – SATs do not judge all their strengths but if they've given it their all they can be proud.

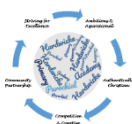
Absences

The KS2 tests will be taken on set dates unless your child is absent, in which case they **may** be able to take them up to 5 school days afterwards. If a pupil is absent and does not return within 5 school days of the scheduled test date, or an application for a timetable variation is rejected they will not receive a score for that paper. **We do ask that even if your child is under the weather, please send them in to sit the exam and we can discuss further arrangements on the day.**

Breakfast club

From Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May, we will be providing a special breakfast for the children, to ensure they have the much-needed energy for their papers, to settle their nerves and to make their arrival to school on these days that bit more exciting! On these days, the children will be required to arrive at school at 8.15, where they will be able to have a sausage sandwich (vegetarian option available on request) and juice to get them going! All we please ask is for you to kindly **complete and return the attached order/consent form.**

Celebration/Reward Day:



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As a celebration and reward for the children completing their SATs, we intend (weather permitting) to have a fun day on the school field on Friday 13th May – once we've completed our final paper. Across the day, we will play team games, spend a day being active and enjoy one another's company!

Please do not hesitate to contact any of the Y6 team (either on the school playground at the end of the day or via admin@hardwicke.gloucs.sch.uk) for any further questions you may have regarding your child's SATs week.

The children have all worked so very hard in preparation and we look forward to sharing how wonderfully they will have done come July!

**Kindest regards,
The Year 6 Team**

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Year 6 SATs Breakfast Consent/Order Form:

Please ensure this is returned to school by Friday 17th February.

Child's Name: _____

I give permission for my child to attend the SATs breakfast club and will ensure they arrive on-site at 8.15AM.	Y / N
I require a vegetarian option to be given to my child.	Y / N

Parent/Carer signature: _____