



Friday 10th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you to confirm the finer arrangements for our SATs assessments which are, as you are aware, taking place next week. The children will be sitting their papers from Monday 13th – Thursday 16th May; all papers take place in the morning, with the class divided into two groups. Below is a timetable of which papers will be on which day.

Monday	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) – Papers 1 and 2
Tuesday	Reading – One Paper
Wednesday	Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic Maths Paper 2: Reasoning 1
Thursday	Maths Paper 3: Reasoning 2

As part of the access arrangements, some children will have readers or extra time. For some papers, these arrangements are all part of the usual classroom practice. All children will have the opportunity to ask for any questions in the Maths or SPaG papers to be read to them. We have guidance which must be followed during the test week to make sure that all children have the correct support, but the week will be as close to normal as possible for the children.

On the test days (Monday – Thursday) we will be providing a light breakfast for the children, including items such as toast, cereal, fruit and juice. Hopefully, this will help to start the day in a relaxed manner. On these days it would be really helpful if your child could arrive in school at 8:15 am through the front door. Although we would like all children to arrive at school at 8:15am, breakfast is optional and children are more than welcome to eat at home if they prefer.

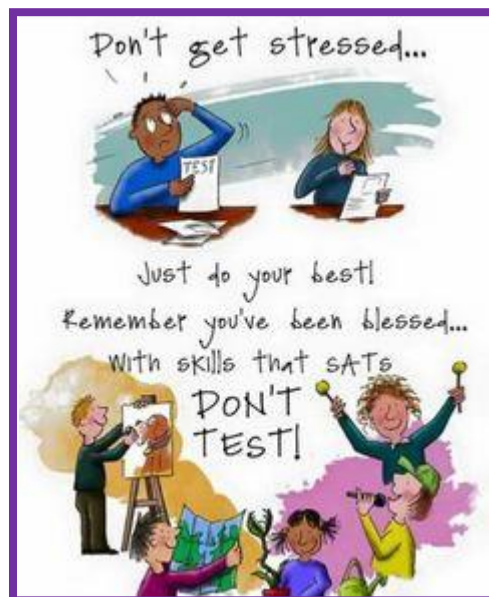
If at any point your child is a little under the weather, we would suggest that they come in and sit the test before returning home. It can be arranged for your child to take the tests away from other pupils if this is required. If your child is too ill to attend school it is essential that you contact the school office as early as possible.

Additionally, due to the tests on Thursday **P.E kits are to be worn on Friday instead of Thursday** next week. On Friday, Year 6 will be having a day of relaxed activities which will include forest school options as well as games.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support over the past few months, and to thank Mrs OJ and Mrs Walker for their ongoing hard work to ensure that the children are in a position to show off their potential. All the children have been extremely impressive, showing resilience, determination and a fabulous work ethic - I know that they will continue to work hard next week and do their very best.

As always, we want the children to feel happy and confident, free of any anxious feelings. We always work hard to make the SATs week as enjoyable as possible, and most children report that is more fun than expected! Please don't hesitate to contact me or Mrs O'Callaghan-James with any questions or worries so that we can support.

We have the most amazing children here at Kingstone, and I know that they have so many brilliant talents, strengths and qualities that will set them up for the adventure that await them. The four days of tests will not define their successes, and there is so much to look forward to before their next big chapter in September. I always share this quote during SATs Week, as it perfectly sums it up:



With best wishes,

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