

## Year 6 SATs Meeting for Parents

Tuesday 15th January 2019
Supporting Children
Through Year 6 SATs

## This presentation can be viewed on the school website.

## Introduction

Aims of the meeting:

- To help you understand the demands of the end of Year 6 tests
- To let you know how we plan to prepare the children in school
- To suggest tips for how you can help your child at home


## SATs Timetable 2019

## When do the Year 6 SAT tests take place?

 In the week commencing $13^{\text {th }}$ May 2019|  | English Paper 1:Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Test <br> (45 minutes) <br> English Paper 2:Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Test <br> (15 minutes) |
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| Monday 13 May |  |

## English

## English assessments cover 3 aspects:

- reading
- writing *
- spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG)
(* by teacher assessment)


## READING

- A booklet to read (3 different texts)
- Approximately 35-40 questions to answer
- Worth 50 marks
- Externally marked
- Changes in last few years: children complete at own pace texts organised easiest to hardest
( newish format so only a few tests available for practice)


## Range of Questions

Questions on the reading test include the following:

- Ranking/ordering, e.g. 'Number the events below to show the order in which they happen in the story'
- Labelling, e.g. 'Label the text to show the title of the story'
- Find and copy, e.g. 'Find and copy one word that suggests what the weather is like in the story'
- Short constructed response, e.g. 'What does the bear eat?'
- Open-ended response, e.g. 'Look at the sentence that begins Once upon a time. How does the writer increase the tension throughout this paragraph? Explain fully, referring to the text in your answer.'


# Questions may come in different forms: 

- multiple choice (1 mark)
- one phrase or word (1 mark)
- short paragraphs (2 or 3 marks)

Children need to use evidence from the text to support the answers that they give.

## Questions 1-8 are about The Blackbird and his Wife (pages 4-7)

## (page 4)

1 Why did the king want to have the blackbirds?
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2 Why was the blackbird's wife sad?
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3 What instrument did the blackbird play on the way to the palace?
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4 The king treated the animals badly.
a) What had the king done to the fox?
b) What had the king done to the ants?

5 For years he's drained me and dirtied me.
What does the word drained mean?
Tick one.
filled up with water $\square$
stirred up the water
emptied out the water

worn out the water $\square$

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\text { (pages } 8-9 \text { ) }
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18 Put ticks in the table to show which sentences are true and which are false.

One has been done for you.

| The information says that... | True | False |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| recycling is a good way to get rid of <br> unwanted plastics. | J |  |
| we should use more things made of plastic. |  |  |
| today we use plastics a lot. |  |  |
| plastic is hard to get rid of. |  |  |
| plastics rot. |  |  |

Reading - How We Are Helping

- Analysing results of MOCK Reading SATs
- Re-grouping
- Daily ‘Guided Reading' sessions
- Giving small groups extra support for those who need a boost
- Extending those children who are more able in reading, writing and spelling


## How You Can Help With Reading

- Encourage your child to read regularly
- Keep it positive!
- Read with them:
- Talk about the meanings of 'new' words
- Get them to explain clearly what the text is about and give reasons why they know this.


## Writing

- No writing test
- Children will be given a judgement against the end of key stage expectations for writing
- Class teachers assess the children's writing


## Writing

- Teachers will base their judgements on children's writing in English and theme work, focusing particularly on unaided work.


## Writing - How We Are Helping

- Practising skills in English lessons and using these to write in other subjects e.g. History
- Setting English targets, so children know what they need to do to improve

- Regular writing tasks incorporated into 'Take One Book' units to ensure we give children the chance to show their best work over a range of text types


## Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

- Tests the more 'technical' aspects of English
- Externally marked
- 45 minute test plus 15 minute spelling test (maximum of 70 marks)

42 Circle all the determiners in the sentence below.

Two apple trees screened the open windows on one side.

43 Underline the longest possible noun phrase in the sentence below.

That book about the Romans was interesting.

Tick one box in each row to show whether the underlined word is an adjective or an adverb.

| Sentence | Adjective | Adverb |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| It is a direct flight to Spain. |  |  |
| I hate arriving late. |  |  |
| The door opened wide. |  |  |
| That is the wrong spelling. |  |  |

Explain how the use of commas changes the meaning in the two sentences.

Mangoes, which are grown in hot countries, taste delicious.
Mangoes which are grown in hot countries taste delicious.
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$\qquad$
$\qquad$

Which sentence uses the hyphen correctly?

Tick one.
There are thirty seven year-olds in Class 2.


There are thirty seven-year-olds in Class 2.
There are thirty-seven year olds in Class 2.


There are thirty-seven-year-olds in Class 2.

## The Spelling Test

- The teacher reads out a sentence.
- The sentence has a word missing from it on the answer sheet.
- The missing word is repeated for the children. They write it down.
- 20 words, worth 20 marks
- The words are of varying difficulty and test children's knowledge of a range of spelling patterns and rules.


## SPaG - How We Are Helping

- Daily starter activities in English lessons
- Regular SPaG lessons
- SPaG is also built into daily English lessons
- 'Spelling Bee' competition each term


## How You Can Help With SPAG

- Support your child to learn their 20 spelling words for the Spelling Bee competition
- Check through SPAG homework and discuss any mistakes
- If you purchase any revision materials, provide children with regular opportunities to practise. Mark the questions together and work through any questions which are incorrect.


## The Maths Test

- This test comes in 3 parts:
- Arithmetic 30 minutes (40 possible marks)
- Paper 2: 40 minutes- Reasoning (35 possible marks)
- Paper 3: 40 minutes- Reasoning (35 possible marks)


## Maths

- Children's marks from all three tests are combined to calculate their overall mathematics attainment (no longer levelled but will be reported as a scaled score).
- Children will be given the following equipment for Test 2 and Test 3: a pencil, a ruler (showing centimetres and millimetres), a protractor and a mirror.
- They do not have a calculator for any paper
- They no longer have tracing paper to assist with transformations


## Types of questions: Reasoning

- Multiple choice (Tick or match answers)
- 1 mark questions (Just an answer required or an empty box to be filled)
- 2/3 mark questions (2, 3 or 4 steps and show workings)
- These require the children to reason and solve problems covering all areas of the maths curriculum- number, place value,2-4 step word problems, shape and space, data handling

1 Draw lines to join all the pairs of number cards which have a difference of $\mathbf{3 0}$

One has been done for you.


2 Circle three numbers that add to make a multiple of $\mathbf{1 0}$



What is the difference in price between the most expensive and least expensive sunglasses?


The shop also sells sun hats.


Ryan buys the $£ 4.69$ sunglasses and a sun hat

How much change does he get from $£ 10$ ?



Estimate the number of people who went there on Thursday and Friday altogether.


Each person paid $\mathbf{£ 2 . 2 5}$ for a ticket to get in.


Here are six cards.


## a card to complete each calculation.



Write the four missing digits to make this addition correct


# There are also 'Explain' 

questions

- John says,
- 'Every multiple of 5 ends in 5'

Is he correct?

Circle Yes or No.

- Yes / No
- Explain how you know.


## There are also 'Explain' questions

- Mandy says ' a quadrilateral has 4 equal sides'.
- Is she correct?

Circle Yes or No.

- Yes / No

Explain how you know.

## The Arithmetic Test

- This is a timed test: 30 minutes
- Children will be given a booklet of calculations (approximately 36 questions)
- The questions will be spaced out with squared paper in between for the children to use to organise their calculations in columns



## To prepare for the Maths test children should:

- Learn their $x$ and $\div$ facts by heart
- Revise key mathematical vocabulary and facts e.g. the names and properties of 2 d and 3 d shapes
- Ensure the children are confident with written methods for,,$+- x$ and $\div$
- Become familiar with mathematical problems and how they are worded
- Work through problems on mock SAT papers. Make up similar problems to solve themselves or for parents to solve
- Let teachers know about areas that they are less confident with


## What are we doing at school?

- Daily maths lessons
- Since September, we have been doing an extra maths session one afternoon each week- focused on arithmetic
- Giving extra small group support to those who need a boost
- Extending those children who are particularly talented at maths
- Setting challenging targets for all children
- Giving children feedback on how they are doing, and what they need to do to improve
- Selling SATs revision materials to parents and children


## How can parents support children through these tests?

- Be positive - encourage an 'I can' attitude
- Give lots of praise and encouragement
- Encourage children to complete homework tasks
- Together - go through practice SAT papers completed at school, or that you have purchased, and pose similar questions
- Use support materials together
- Ensure children get plenty of sleep
- Ensure children attend school, and are not lateSATs related activities are first lessons every day in Y6
- Provide a healthy breakfast, a fruit based break time snack and drinks
- Attend parents' evening to discuss progress, and ask questions


## Support Materials

- http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/teachers/ks2 activities/
- www.sats-papers.co.uk


## Ordering CGP KS2 Study Guides

Please use Parentmail to order any guides.


## Many thanks for attending this evening.

