



Year 6 SATs

2024

When are they?

The SATs tests run over four days, beginning on **Monday 13th May 2024** and ending on **Thursday 16th May 2024**.

Children will sit the following SATs papers:

- Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 1) – Monday 13th May 2024 (45mins)
- Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 2) – Monday 13th May 2024 (20mins)
- Reading – Tuesday 14th May 2024 (60mins)
- Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) – Wednesday 15th May 2024 (30mins)
- Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning) – Wednesday 15th May 2024 (40mins)
- Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) – Thursday 16th May 2024 (40mins)

What will happen?

- The tests will take place during normal school hours, under exam conditions. We have been running mock SATs at intervals throughout the year so that the children know what to expect;
- Children will sit in rows at separate tables, arranged alphabetically by their last name. They are not allowed to talk to each other from the moment the assessments are handed out until they are collected after the test has ended;
- Afterwards, the completed papers are sent away to be marked externally;
- The children's results are sent back to school early in July.

How long do they last?

Children with additional needs, who have similar provision in their day-to-day learning at school, may be given specific arrangements.

This usually takes the form of additional (extra) time, which may be up to 25% of the usual test time.

Most children with extra time will work in a separate room (together) so that they are not distracted by others finishing at different times to them

If this, or other specific arrangements, apply to your child then you and your child will know about it before the week of the SATs.

Arriving at school

- We will run a **free Year 6 breakfast club all four days of the SATS**
- **Please arrive at school at 8.15am.** This is to help us ensure that everyone is calm, settled, registered and ready to go by the official exam start time
- If you are running late for any reason, please call the office as soon as possible
- If your child is ill, it is advisable that they come to school to sit the test where special considerations would be made- it is incredibly difficult to complete the test after their friends have completed it

SATs Breakfast:

Monday: Croissants/ Gluten-Free croissants

Tuesday: Porridge. *The Oats are specifically labelled gluten-free to ensure no cross-contamination during processing.

Wednesday: Pancakes and Honey/Gluten-Free Pancakes & Honey

Thursday: Hash Browns, baked beans and scrambled eggs. *The baked beans ordered do not contain additives/flavourings that contain gluten.

*Fruit available daily.

How are they marked?

Once marked, the tests will be given the following scores:

- A raw score (the total number of marks achieved for each paper)
- A scaled score between 80 - 120
- A judgement of whether the National Standard has been met

A scaled score of more than 100 shows that the National Standard has been met. A scaled score of more than 110 shows that the child is working at Greater Depth.

Specific Exam Details - SPaG

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling is made up of two papers which will take place on **Monday 13th May 2024**:

- Paper 1 is the longer paper lasting 45 minutes, **children will be tested on grammar, punctuation and spelling generally**
- Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 1) requires a range of answer types such as circling missing capital letters, multiple choice questions, one-word answers, but **does not require longer formal answers**.
- Paper 2 is a shorter paper lasting around 15 minutes, where **children will be tested on spelling only** – they are asked to fill in a blank within a sentence, attempting to spell out the spelling word in context correctly.

Specific Exam details - SPaG

1

Tick the sentence that must end with a **question mark**.

Tick **one**.

What I wanted had already sold out

Ask Ryan what he thinks about it

What time will the film start

I didn't know what to say

1 mark

23

Draw a line to match each word to its correct **antonym**.

Word

meandering

sympathetic

evade

plausible

Antonym

confront

unfeeling

unbelievable

straight

1 mark

18. The grey clouds looked _____ in the sky.

19. Omar put the cutlery back in the _____.

20. Ellen's gold bracelet was her most treasured _____.

Specific Exam Details - Reading

The Year 6 Reading SATs paper will be sat on **Tuesday 14th May 2024**.

The assessment has been designed to measure whether children's comprehension of age-appropriate reading material meets the national standard.

There are three different set texts for the children to read, which could be any combination of **non-fiction, fiction and/or poetry**.

The Year 6 Reading SATs paper requires a range of answering styles, including responding to **multiple choice questions, one-word answers**, and multiple mark questions which require **more formal paragraph-length answers**.

Specific Exam Details - Reading

How would you get to your space hotel?

In the future there may be hotels in space for all the tourists. It wouldn't take long for the space shuttle to get out of the Earth's atmosphere. Then, without Earth's gravity, you would become weightless. Arrival at the hotel would be like an aeroplane parking at an airport, but you would leave the cabin floating along the access tube, holding on to a cable.

2

How would you get from the spacecraft to the space hotel?

1 mark

I had the same feeling of mystery and danger around us. In the gloom of the trees there seemed a constant menace and as we looked up into their shady foliage, vague terrors crept into one's heart. The iguanodons we had seen were lumbering, inoffensive brutes which were unlikely to hurt anyone, but what other creatures might there not be – ready to pounce upon us from their lair among the rocks or brushwood?

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Based on what you have read, what does the last paragraph suggest might happen to the explorers next?

Use evidence from this paragraph to support your prediction.

2 marks

Specific Exam Details - Maths

Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning) will take place on **Wednesday 15th May 2024**.

Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) is scheduled for **Thursday 16th May 2024**.

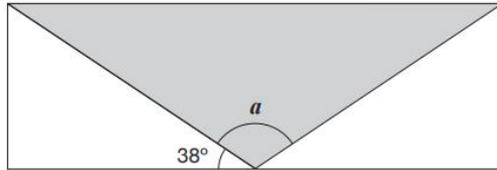
Both have standard timings of **40 minutes** and are worth **35 marks** each.

These papers require children to demonstrate their mathematical knowledge and skills, as well as their ability to solve problems and their mathematical reasoning.

Specific Exam Details - Maths

15

A shaded **isosceles** triangle is drawn inside a rectangle.



Not
to
scale

Calculate the size of angle a .

Show
your
method

a is

2 marks

6

Stefan's watch shows five minutes past nine.

The watch is twelve minutes fast.



What is the correct time?

1 mark

How can we support our children

Firstly, a positive attitude goes a long way – so as much encouragement and support as possible.

Some further tips:

- If children wish to, create a revision timetable that works for you and your child – a couple of 10 – 20 minute activities a day works best for some; for others, a longer study session on a Saturday or Sunday might be better
- **Keep it light** – practise key skills like **arithmetic**. **Practise mental maths in real world scenarios**, like adding up prices in the shops, working out discount deals, and asking questions like, “*If there are 1,300 grams of flour in this pack, what is that in kilograms?*”

Things to remember:

SATs focus on what they know about Maths and English

They won't reflect how talented they are at science, geography, art or PE, and they certainly won't highlight positive personal characteristics such as kindness and integrity.

SATs results don't always tell the whole story

The results will say they DID or DIDN'T meet a certain standard, but not necessarily by what margin.

SATs last for one week

In reality, it's just one or two papers lasting 30-60 minutes each day. You can't emphasise enough the importance of keeping that in perspective. How your child performs on one day in one test doesn't define them as a person.

Advice for Children

- Listen to what your teacher says;
- Your teacher is cheering you on and wants you to do your best;
- Make sure you get plenty of sleep and stay well fed – sleep and food help keep the brain moving;
- Read the questions carefully. This can help to avoid any silly mistakes!
- Don't worry if there's something you can't answer. Take a deep breath! You can always move on and go back later
- Keep in mind year 6 SATs are just one week of your entire life!

**'Stay focused in class so you don't
have loads of extra study at home!'
- Year 7 pupil's advice**



**Thank you.
Any Questions?**