

St John Vianney Catholic Primary School

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Through following Jesus, we aim to be a caring, happy school, where everyone is valued and appreciated and can reach their true potential. We hope to act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with our God.

READY, RESPECTFUL, SAFE

7th May, 2024

Dear Families,

As we are sure you are aware, next week is Key Stage 2 SATs week. We would like to take this opportunity to say how immensely proud we are of each and every one of our Y6 pupils. They have all worked incredibly hard this year and have shown great enthusiasm and resilience in their learning. We would also like to extend our thanks to all of our parents and carers for their continued support. It really is very much appreciated.

The timetable for next week is as follows:

| Date | Exam |
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| Monday 13 May 2024 | Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling - Paper 1 Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling - Paper 2 |
| Tuesday 14 May 2024 | English Reading |
| Wednesday 15 May 2024 | Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning) |
| Thursday 16 May 2024 | Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) |

We will be inviting all Year 6 pupils to come into school between **8.15am and 8.30am** every day during SATs week to have a breakfast snack with us. They will then go into class for a quick revision session before beginning the tests.

Please ensure that your child is not late and takes the opportunity to have a breakfast snack in school as well as this has proved very successful in previous years in settling the children.

If your child is unwell on the day, it is vital that you **contact Mrs Thorpe via the school office** and ask to speak to her immediately **before 8.00am** so that appropriate arrangements can be made and reports submitted to the local authority and the Standards and Testing Agency.



As a school, we work hard to ensure that the children don't feel worried or anxious about these tests but we recognise that this could be an anxious time for some children. In school, we are reassuring them that they are very well-prepared and to look on SATs in a positive way to show the progress they have made and the standards they have achieved.

We ask that you make sure your child is well rested, has a good breakfast and arrives in school promptly throughout SATs week. All children should bring a water bottle into school every day that week as normal.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We recognise the SATs your child is sitting do not assess what makes them special and unique. Your child is a success and there are many ways to be successful. So, whilst we have prepared them for the tests next week, please remember there is no way to assess all the wonderful things that make your child the wonderful individual they are. We are super proud of them all and they are an absolute credit to St. John Vianney school.

With our thanks and appreciation for all of your support,

The Year 6 Team

Mrs Meldrum, Mrs Black and Mr Exley