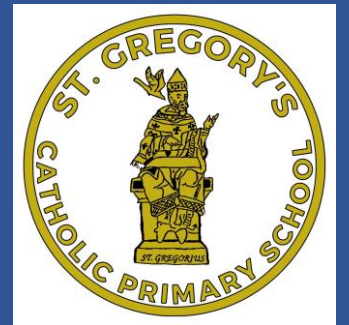


# KS1 SATs Parent Information

25<sup>th</sup> January 2023



# What are the SATs?

SATs are the Standardised Assessment Tests that are given to children at the end of Key Stage 1.

- All Year 2 children in England take KS1 SATs.
- The tests take place throughout the month of May.

# When and how the SATs are completed?

- The tests take place during normal school hours
- There are no strict timings for the test papers but times are given as a suggested guide.
  - Reading – 2 papers 30 minutes
  - Maths (paper 1: Arithmetic) – 30 minutes
  - Maths (paper 2: Reasoning) – 40 minutes
  - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 1: Spelling)
  - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 2: Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation)

Writing is teacher assessed.

# Reading

The reading test for Year 2 pupils is made up of two separate papers:

- Paper 1 consists of a selection of texts totalling 400 to 700 words, with questions interspersed
- Paper 2 comprises a reading booklet of a selection of passages totalling 800 to 1100 words. Children will write their answers in a separate booklet

# Phonics

Children who did not meet the requirements of the Year 1 Phonics Screen will sit this assessment again in June.

# Maths

The Key Stage 1 maths test is made up of two papers:

- Paper 1: arithmetic, worth 25 marks and taking around 15 minutes.
- Paper 2: mathematical fluency, problem-solving and reasoning, worth 35 marks and taking 35 minutes, with a break if necessary.

Children are not allowed to use any tools such as calculators or number lines.

# Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Children taking Key Stage 1 SATs may also sit two separate papers in grammar, spelling and punctuation:

- Paper 1: a 20-word spelling test taking approximately 15 minutes and worth 20 marks.
- Paper 2: a grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test, in two sections of around 10 minutes each (with a break between, if necessary), worth 20 marks. This will involve a mixture of selecting the right answers e.g. through multiple choice, and writing short answers.

This paper is optional.

# Writing

English writing is teacher assessed and is based on work produced throughout the year.



# Marking the tests

The tests are marked by class teacher.

The actual number of marks (raw score) will be converted to a scaled score where a score of 100 means the child is working at the expected standard.

A score below 100 indicates that the child needs more support, whereas a score of above 100 suggests the child is working at a higher level than expected for their age.

Even though the tests are made to the same standard each year, the questions must be different.

This means the difficulty of the tests may vary.

Scaled scores ensure an accurate comparison of performance over time.



## English reading

Raw score	Scaled score
0	No scaled score
1	No scaled score
2	No scaled score
3	85
4	85
5	85
6	86
7	87
8	88
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10	89
11	90
12	91
13	91
14	92
15	93
16	93
17	94
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19	95
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Raw score	Scaled score
21	97
22	97
23	98
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25	99
26	100
27	101
28	101
29	102
30	103
31	104
32	105
33	106
34	107
35	108
36	109
37	111
38	112
39	114
40	115



## Mathematics

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49	107
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These thresholds change each year according to the overall national performance, so what was classed as 'meeting the expected standard' this year might not be the same as last year.

# Results

Results will be communicated with parents at the end of the academic year.

# Supporting your child in preparing for the SATs

Firstly, a positive attitude goes a long way. Give them as much encouragement and support as you can.

Tips:

- Support children at home by reading every day and completing homework tasks set.
- Don't use past papers as they are used in school to prepare the children.
- Talk to your child's class teacher if you have any concerns.

### Further tips:

- Keep revision light. Going over key skills (times tables, real world mental maths as you are shopping or cooking) is a good way to keep revision light.
- There are plenty of free or inexpensive SATs practice materials for parents available.

# Things to remember about SATs

SATs don't tell the whole story.

SATs focus on what children know about Maths and English.

They will not reflect how talented they are at science, geography, art, PE..., and they certainly won't highlight all of their amazing personal characteristics.

