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SATs Information for Parents and Carers

SATs (Standard Assessment Tests) measure children’s educational achievement in years 2 and 6, with the ultimate aim of holding schools to account for the attainment of their pupils and the progress they make.

When do they take place?

In England, children take SATs twice in their school career:

Key stage 1 SATs

These assessments take place in the May of year 2 (age 7) and test children’s ability in maths and reading (plus an optional test in English grammar, punctuation and spelling). The tests are informal, so they aren’t timed and they take place in a normal classroom situation.

Key stage 2 SATs

At the end of Year 6, children usually sit tests in:

- Reading
- Maths
- Grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS)

These tests are both set and marked externally, and the results are used to measure the school’s performance (for example, through reporting to Ofsted and published league tables). Your child’s marks will be used in conjunction with teacher assessment to give a broader picture of their attainment.



How are they marked?

Scores are given on a scale of 80 to 120 - with a score of 100 or more meaning a pupil is meeting the expected governmental standard (but this equates to different marks for each paper). Key stage 1 SATs are marked by teachers within the school; key stage 2 SATs are sent away to be marked externally.

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Do parents/ carers get the results?

For Key stage 1, you won't get your child's actual SATs score unless you ask for them, but you will be told whether your child is working at the expected standard as part of their end of year report.

For key stage 2, parents/ carers get their child's scaled score in July and are told whether or not they reached the expected level. The results of Key stage 2 SATs are also published annually in the Department of Education's primary school league tables, where an online facility enables users to compare schools against other schools, as well as against the national average



KS2 SATs Dates 2022 – SATs Week 2022

- Monday May 9th 2022: Spelling, punctuation and grammar (Grammar/Punctuation Test) – 45 minutes
- Monday May 9th 2022: Spelling, punctuation and grammar (Spelling Test) – 20 minutes
- Tuesday May 10th 2022: Reading Test – 60 minutes
- Wednesday May 11th 2022: Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) – 30 minutes
- Wednesday May 11th 2022: Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning) – 40 minutes
- Thursday May 12th 2022: Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) – 40 minutes

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What about Writing?

This is assessed through continual assessment of writing during the year. The children are assessed against a list of standards with the evidence coming from writing across the curriculum. To ensure Teacher Assessment judgments are consistent across the country schools are externally moderated by the Local Authority.