

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, next week, week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> May, sees the beginning of the Y6 national SATS. These tests are carried out at the end of the primary phase to benchmark learning across the country at KS2. With the bank holiday in recognition of King Charles' coronation, we shall be starting the tests this year on Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> May.

We would like to congratulate Year 6 for the commitment and effort they have put into their studies and we hope that the practice-runs we have had will help them to feel calm and focused throughout the week as they know exactly what to expect in terms of procedures and routines. We provide toast each morning for all students free of charge, but we would recommend that they bring a bottle of water to remain hydrated. Please note that children are only allowed to have basic equipment of a pen, pencil, ruler and rubber which should be stored in a clear pencil case or carried loose to the test. Smart watches, as per normal school rules, are not allowed.

At home, you can support your child by ensuring that they get enough sleep, exercise and relaxation time during the week. If you have any concerns, please contact your child's form tutor and we will ensure that they receive the support they need. Should your child be unwell during this week, please contact school as promptly as possible via telephone or email (see website for addresses) and we will discuss possible arrangements with you. If your child does not attend school at all on a particular day, they will not be able to sit the test at a later point and will not receive a grade.

## The schedule for the week is listed below:

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May – English Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar paper

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May – English Reading paper

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Maths Arithmetic paper and Maths Reasoning paper

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Maths Reasoning paper

Once tests are completed each day, there will be a break and then normal lessons will resume although they may take a more practical approach than usual.

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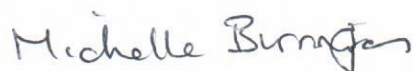
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On the Friday, we will be having our coronation celebrations with lunch outside in a street party style (weather permitting) and then Year 6 will have games and activities in the afternoon.

Although the formal testing will then be complete, Year 6 will still be working on their writing which will be teacher assessed and possibly externally moderated until the end of June. At this point, we have to submit their teacher assessed grades to the local authority. SATS results will be released to schools in July and once we have confirmed all results, we will share the outcomes with you.

Finally, I would like to thank the team in school who have worked so hard to ensure that students are ready and well-equipped for this experience and I would like to thank you for supporting us to do this and for working with your child to reinforce their learning in school.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle Burrington". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Michelle" written in a larger, more prominent hand than the surname "Burrington".

**Michelle Burrington**  
**Acting Headteacher**