



Tuesday 15th January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

SATs tests for all Year 6s this year begin on the week commencing Monday the 13th May. Children will complete the following tests:

- Spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- Reading comprehension.
- Arithmetic.
- Maths reasoning and problem solving.

We will send out a letter nearer the time to explain more about the tests.

Preparation for the tests has started today. Children are taking part in SATs booster sessions in arithmetic and problem solving, one afternoon a week for the moment, to give them the best possible chance of fulfilling their potential in May. The focus of the sessions is to practise a variety of skills across a wide range of maths topics. With the maths curriculum being so broad and the tests covering work studied from previous years, it is important that we provide children with increased opportunities to refresh their skills beyond our daily maths sessions. This will give them greater confidence when completing tasks independently.

In order to support children further with their revision, the school have purchased three excellent books which children will be able to use for the booster sessions in school and for revision at home. Staff will advise children which pages to complete as we work through them in school. That way the children will understand the content of the revision books and complete the activities at home more readily.

The cost of purchasing the books is normally high. However, we have been able to get them at a much reduced rate compared to buying the books at retail price. We are therefore asking for a voluntary contribution of £6.00 to cover the cost of the **three** books. The normal retail price for this is £12.85, so this represents excellent value for money.

If there are any questions relating to the books your child has taken home tonight, then please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,
The Year 5/6 Team.