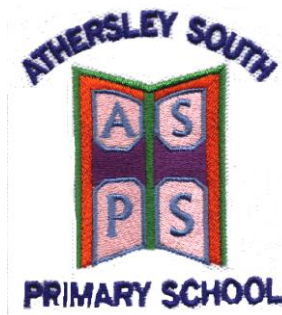


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Dear Parents

As you will already be aware, this year your child will sit the government's national tests which are also known as the Year 6 SATs. It is really important to us, and I am sure it is to you, that your child achieves the best possible outcomes. **Therefore it is essential that your child is in school throughout the test week. Any absence will inevitably have an impact on their results and the levels they are awarded.**

This year the tests will take place during the week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> May. Schools are given a clear timetable of when the tests must be undertaken – see the table below - and also strict guidelines about how the tests must be administered, including the opening of the test material only on the day of the test.

Date	AM
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Grammar, punctuation and spelling paper 1 and paper 2
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	English reading
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Mathematics paper 1: arithmetic Mathematics paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Mathematics paper 3: reasoning

Your child will sit two reasoning mathematics papers and also a 30 minute arithmetic test. They will also sit an hour long reading test and there is a spelling test and a grammar and punctuation test. The mathematics, reading and grammar, punctuation and spelling papers will be marked by an external marker who is not known to the school. There is no longer a SATs writing paper; instead a writing teacher assessment level is awarded in June.

When your child leaves us in July, you will receive the externally marked SATs results for mathematics and reading and the teacher assessment for writing, reading and mathematics. Teacher assessment is part of an ongoing process which gives us a very accurate picture of your child's progress and attainment. We continue with teacher assessment until the end of term in July but we submit teacher assessment to the government at the end of June.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher

Yours sincerely

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