

Our school rules

Ready Respectful Safe

Year 6 SATS information

Information for parents and carers

Striving Together To Be All We Can Be



What are key stage 2 tests?

At the end of key stage 2, most children in Y6 will take national curriculum assessments in:

- English grammar, punctuation and spelling
- English reading
- Mathematics

These assessments are referred to as SATs.



Why?

- The tests help measure the attainment of pupils in relations to the standards set out in the national curriculum
- The tests help teachers and parents identify where pupuls might need additional support
- The tests are also used to assess schools' performance and produce national and regional performance statistics



When?

Key stage 2 tests

The statutory key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 12 May to Thursday 15 May 2025.



Other assessments

- English writing and science are assessed by the class teacher
- These teacher assessments are made based on your child's overall work and performance in the subject

- English writing assessments may be externally moderated by the local authority



Children working below the standard

- Some children will be assessed using pre-key stage standards
- These children will not sit the tests
- Parents/carers will be informed if children are being assessed this way and will not be sitting the tests



Access arrangements

- Pupils with specific needs may require additional arrangements so they can take part in the KS2 tests.
- Access arrangements are adjustments that can be put in place to support those pupils.
- There are a variety of access arrangements available such as readers, extra time, rest breaks and prompters.
- Parents/carers will be informed of any access arrangements made for their child



How are the tests administered?

- The Y6 block, the hall, the library and the multi-purpose room are typically used for the tests
- The tests are timed
- Test conditions are in place
- The rest of the school are aware tests are taking place and do not disturb the Y6 children



Preparing the children

Y6 children are prepared for the tests in a number of different ways

- Test practice
- Small group work
- Going through tests to identify errors
- Test etiquette including time keeping
- Well-being support
- Breakfast in school during SATs week
- Booster classes





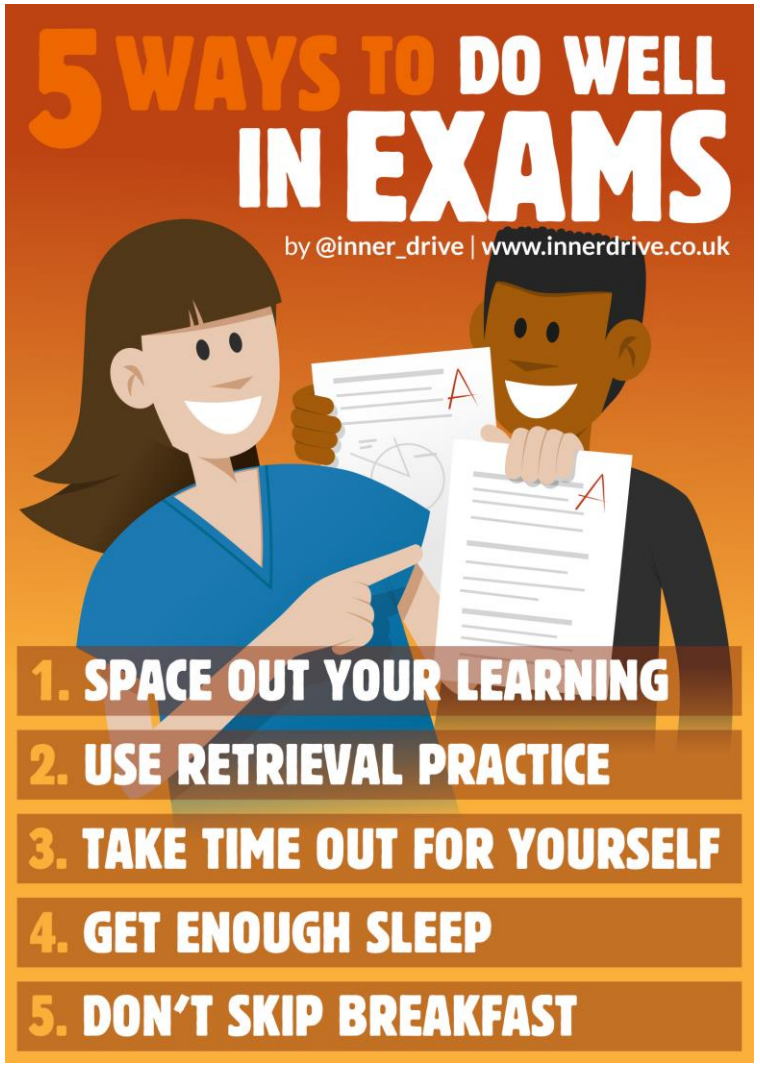
FAQs

- If my child doesn't do well what will happen at high school?
- What if my child is absent?
- What if my child arrives late?
- What if my child doesn't speak English very well?
- What if my child needs extra help?



Support from families

- Homework
- Reading
- Attending parents evenings
- Healthy bedtime habits
- Wellbeing and fun!
- Using Seesaw to stay up to date





THE MOST POWERFUL WORDS A PARENT CAN SAY

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Because it...

1 Reduces fear of failure
Often a child's greatest fear is letting you down. Using this sentence demonstrates your support and gives your child the confidence to experiment with new strategies.

2 Increases self-esteem
Showing warmth and affection can increase your child's self-esteem, as it helps them feel as though you accept them for who they are.

3 Stops development of a fixed mindset
Praising your child for the effort they put in, rather than their natural ability, can improve their reaction to failure and promotes a growth mindset.

4 It's what a child wants to hear
Your child is not looking for technical or tactical guidance but instead wants you to offer encouragement and common sense advice on effort, attitude and practical aspects.

10 WAYS Parents and Guardians CAN HELP THEIR CHILD STUDY

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- Encourage good sleep habits
- Minimise distractions during study time
- Ensure your child eats breakfast
- Get your child to study using Retrieval Practice
- Minimise procrastination
- Get your child to teach you the material
- Set high but realistic expectations
- Provide motivation
- Make sure your child gets fresh air everyday
- Avoid "all work and no play"

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