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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will know from previous correspondence, this week, we will be carrying out the Year 2 SATs assessment – commencing tomorrow. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the details for the week and reassure you we will do everything to ensure the children are supported in every way. Our children have experienced an extremely disruptive 3 years of school and these assessments are in no way a measure of their ability, potential or the wonderful children they are. We are immensely proud of all our children and how hard they work each day.

We will ensure the days this week run as close to their usual school day as possible, in conditions they are more than used to from the assessments they experience throughout the year. The papers will be referred to as work books and from our experience the children have previously not known that they are sitting these assessments and have quite enjoyed them.

Pupils will sit 4-6 short assessments: Reading Paper 1, Reading Paper 2, Maths Reasoning, Maths Arithmetic and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (Paper 1 and 2). The assessments will be completed in small groups with a familiar adult. Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar are not a compulsory part of SATs and so we will make a decision, based on the children's well-being, later in the week whether we carry these out.

Teachers submit their final teacher assessment in Reading, Writing, Maths and Science in June. The SATs results are a small part of making a final teacher assessment. The judgements made will be reported to you in the final school report this July.

There is nothing that you need to do to prepare your children for the assessments, other than the following recommendations:

- get plenty of sleep by going to bed at a reasonable time.
- eat a healthy breakfast to set them up for the day.
- attend school on time every day.

If you have any questions about KS1 assessments, please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher.

Yours Sincerely

Mr T Hinkley, Mrs L Hodgkiss, Mrs J Perry, Mrs C Cotterill & Miss J Plant Headteacher, Phase Leader and Year 2 Team