



BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to remind you that this year's SATs will be taking place during the week commencing Monday 13th May. All children will need to be in school promptly this week. The timetable for the tests is shown below:

Monday 13 th May 2019	English grammar, punctuation and spelling test Paper 1: short answer questions Paper 2: spelling
Tuesday 14 th May 2019	English Reading Test
Wednesday 15 th May 2019	Maths Paper 1: arithmetic test Maths Paper 2: reasoning
Thursday 16 th May 2019	Maths Paper 3: reasoning

As you know, the Government has increased the standards required for a child to meet national expectations by the end of Key Stage 2 (Year 6). In addition to this, National Curriculum levels have been removed and children will now receive a standardised score for each test. The score required to meet the national standard will be released by the Department for Education after all pupils in the country have sat the tests.

For the duration of SATs week we would like to offer a free breakfast club, open to all Year 6 children. It is important that the children eat breakfast and start the day calmly so that they are ready to do their best.

Breakfast will be served in the school hall from 8:15 am to 8:45 am. We will ensure that your child is prepared for the day ahead. Please return the slip by Friday 3rd May so we know how many children to cater for each day.

If your child is not attending the SATs Breakfast each morning, please make sure that your child is present at school by 8.50am.

Your child's regular attendance at school is essential. If your child is likely to be off for any substantial time, it is important that we know so that we can provide suitable work. Please make sure that your child is present at school by 8:50am.

To support learning in school, home learning remains an important part of your child's education.

Parents play a vital role in supporting this process. I have outlined below the main ways you can help your child:



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Mathematics

Give your child the opportunity to practise arithmetic regularly. Using every day occurrences, such as shopping and telling the time can help. 'What would these three items cost?'; 'How much would these items be with 15% off?'; 'If this film lasts for 2 hours and 15 minutes at what time does it finish?' etc., By doing such activities, your child will make connections between the classroom and the real world, whilst developing accuracy and speed of numeracy.

Two of the Mathematics SATs papers will be focussing on reasoning. These are a mixture of written questions, testing understanding. Each pupil has been provided with a revision guide, which should be completed on a weekly basis. Encourage your child to read each question with care, underline key words and show any workings. When complete, the answers for these are in the back of the book and we ask that you go through this with your child to help their understanding.

English

Please ensure that home learning set is completed regularly and discuss with your child any concepts they find difficult. Also, please encourage your child to write regularly and accurately, such as letters to friends, grandparents etc. Spell checkers are also useful to improve spelling accuracy in everyday writing. Please make sure your child is learning their weekly spellings set by their teacher and using them in their writing where possible.

Regular reading is equally important. Please encourage your child to read a range of texts and discuss what has been read. Reading the same book as your child can also help. Another way to encourage your child is to read a range of texts out loud; this can help to further their understanding and promote in-depth discussion. 'Reading between the lines' is a reading skill many pupils find challenging, so prompt deeper understanding by discussing 'Why?' and 'How?' questions frequently, especially about character and plot. Reading records should also be completed to a high standard weekly, using clear reasons to support written opinions about a text.

Websites

If you wish to provide more guidance, there are a number of helpful sites. We would recommend the following; however, there are plenty more online:

BBC Bitesize: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education>
This website is great for all aspects of the KS2 curriculum.

Woodlands Jnr School: <http://resources.woodlands.kent.sch.uk/>
This website provides a whole host of resources and links to all aspects of the KS2 curriculum.

Mathletics: <http://uk.mathletics.com>
Your child has access to this subscription site, which provides safe online arithmetic practise, as well as information on the different mathematical concepts taught.



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I would like to thank you for your continued support with your child's learning and we are very proud of the hard work and commitment they have shown in preparation for these tests.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Laura Bennett
Headteacher

To Mrs Bennett,

I would like my child: _____ to attend breakfast club on:-

Monday 13th May 2019

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