

WEST KIRBY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware Year 2 pupils complete their Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments (SATs) during the month of May.

There are specific rules and regulations from the DfE and STA around the Year 2 assessments. However, unlike the Year 6 assessments the dates and times are not specified other than the assessments must be completed by Friday 26th May 2023.

This year, the Year 2 assessments at West Kirby Primary School will commence on **Monday 15th May 2023 and conclude on Friday 18th May 2023.**

Please can we ask for your support to ensure that your child is in school and on time. We understand that things do happen and with the best plans in place there are times when not everything goes to plan. We ask that you contact us at school as soon as possible if any situations arise.

All of the Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments are scheduled for the morning.

Date	Assessment
Monday 15 th May (morning)	English Reading Paper 1
Tuesday 16 th May (morning)	English Reading Paper 2
Wednesday 17 th May (morning)	Maths Paper 1 – Arithmetic
Friday 18 th May (morning)	Maths Paper 2 – Reasoning

The majority of Year 2 children will be completing the Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments (SATs) in their own classrooms with familiar staff. A small number of children will be in smaller familiar rooms and may have extra time and/or specific adaptations e.g. a scribe, a prompter or in some of the assessments a reader. These are adaptations that are within the Standards and Teaching Agency access and arrangement procedures.

The Year 2 National Assessments are marked internally by WKPS teachers. Your child's SATs scores are one piece of evidence that will help to inform our teacher end of year judgements. You will be informed if your child has reached the national Expected Standard (including Working Towards and Greater Depth Standards) at the end of term when we send home their final report of the year (July).

As always, please support your child by ensuring a reasonable bedtime, attending school, being punctual for school, having a calm start to the day, having all that they need for the day in school and encouraging them to have confidence in themselves - the children have all worked really hard!

Throughout the school year, Year 2 children have completed past SATs papers in testing conditions to help familiarise them with the style of questions and the process. We do not put any pressure on testing and we refer to the assessments as 'quizzes'. We hope that pupils will see the assessments as part of their normal teaching day.

At West Kirby Primary School, we are proud of the fantastic effort our Year 2 children put into their learning every single day. They have worked incredibly hard throughout Key Stage One and we recognise that the assessments do not define our children or measure their personalitlies, talents or skills across the whole curriculum.

If you have any questions, concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to speak to us or contact us on the Key Stage One email address ks1@westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Bailey (Headteacher)
Miss O'Toole and Miss Pritchard (Year 2 Teaching Team)