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Dear Parents and Carers,

Your child has begun a very important year in Year 6 as it is during this year that all children will take their SATs. The preparations for the SATs are already underway and give your child's secondary school an excellent starting point for placing children in ability groups. Therefore, it is extremely important that your child attends school as much as possible during this academic year and that during the week of SATs your child attends school every day.

The SATs this year are during the week of Monday 9- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022 and as in previous years, no holiday absence will be authorised during this week.

In order to support children to achieve their potential at the end of KS2, we have the following in place-

- Additional English support
- Reading booster sessions
- Maths booster sessions
- Additional interactive maths support
- One to one support when needed
- Support in small groups for spelling and grammar focus
- After school clubs to support children's needs
- Homework set to support the work covered in class with the expectation it is completed and returned. This is also valuable good practice for secondary school preparation.
- We will continue to expand the support given dependent on need and availability of staff.

In addition, we will be opening the academy to Year 6 for our successful Easter School programme. We have been unable to run this for the past two years and will be making this year's event even better! You will have further details at a later date, but this provision is provided free of charge by us and involves a range of activities to support the SATS preparation. This will mean working hard in the morning with lots of fun, interactive team games and sports in the afternoon to benefit your child greatly in building confidence and resilience as well as getting SATS ready. We will send out more information when we have it!

Once the SATS are over, there will be lots of time to celebrate and enjoy the countdown to the next stage in your child's journey to secondary school. Please support us in helping your child achieve their best during this short but important period leading to the SATS and during SATs week. You can do this by-

- Encouraging your child to read every evening for a short period of time
- Ensuring they attend school when they are not ill and on time.
- Using the Go Read App to log children's reading
- Use TTRockstars to support maths recall skills at home
- Use Reading Eggs to support interactive reading activities.

If you have any problems or questions, including about the interactive apps mentioned above, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see either myself, Miss Hardwick or a member of the Year 6 team. Thank you in advance for your consideration in this.

Kind Regards

Mrs Pryme Executive Principal

