



## The Priors School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are all aware, the end of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs) start next week. Mrs Logan and I are very keen to give the children the best possible chance and to make sure they are as prepared as they can be. We have been approaching these tests with as little pressure as possible on the children and would like to keep them relaxed and not worrying about them. Please spend time this weekend having fun, with lots of relaxing and offer them plenty of reassurance about next week.

Over the rest of this week, we will recap some of the key areas in each of the subjects and give them sight of question types that could be asked, just as a reminder of what could come up. You really do not need to do lots and lots of extra practise at home. Short 5 minute bursts of times tables or spellings is much more effective than sitting completing lots of practise questions.

The timetable for the week is as follows:

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May** – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May** – Reading

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May** – Arithmetic and Reasoning Paper 1

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May** – Reasoning Paper 2

We all need to bear in mind that these tests only test your child's abilities in a very narrow field on one given day. It is extremely important to remember all of the other amazing things that your children can do – these tests do not measure their artistic talents, sporting abilities, social skills and sense of humour. We recognise these abilities in your children and value them much more than the results of these tests. Please be proud of them, whatever they do.

That said, it is important to remind you that it is a legal requirement that your children sit the tests. If your child is ill on any of the days, then please do let us know by no later than 9am. We can then make provisions for your child to still take the test, either on the day or up to 5 days after.

We are also running a "Breakfast Club" for your Year 6 children from 8.40am on each day of the test. It would be wonderful to see the whole group there, so do please drop them off early to join us for some juice, toast and a relaxed chat. If your child is not coming to breakfast club, it is vital that they are in school by 8:50am.



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**How can I best help my child?**

- Early nights – a good night's sleep is vital
- Arrive on time
- Low pressure – no last minute 'cramming' is needed. The children are all well prepared
- Healthy snacks and breakfasts
- Full water bottles
- Attend the breakfast club
- Have fun during this long weekend!

If you have any questions, please do come in and see us.

Thank you for your support,

Mr Emms and Mrs Logan