



Trust in God and give of your best

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Summer Term 2017 - Year 6

The children in Year 6 have been working hard preparing for their forthcoming SATs examinations, which take place during the week of 8th - 12th May. I attach the timetable for you for your information.

We know that you, like us will want your children to give their best in these tests and there are many ways in which you can support us in helping your child prepare for the week.

Please ensure that your child has as much rest and sleep as possible leading up to and during the week; children produce their best efforts when they are clear-headed and alert and the tests can be very demanding and they may well be very tired by the end of the week.

Continue to be involved in what your child is learning, encouraging them to read daily and making sure your child has a varied reading diet which includes fiction, non-fiction books, newspapers, magazines and poetry. Even though they may be a fluent reader, it is important that they understand what they are reading. Discuss their reading material with them and ask them: about the plot, what may be being inferred, to summarise what has happened, to explain the meaning of key words or phrases, to make predictions and to comment on the use of language and presentational features.

Please make sure that your child is in school throughout the week beginning 8 May. If they miss one paper they will not get a test result in that subject.

Please do not arrange too much activity for the evenings of SATs week and the weekend before, particularly anything involving risk that might cause a bruised or broken limb!

Keep practising times tables up to 12x, so that your child has rapid recall of them.

Children often make avoidable mistakes, so please continue to encourage your child to check their learning for accuracy.

Neat clear joined up handwriting, with the correct use of capital letters and full stops engages the reader.

Talk to your child about the progress they have made this year and celebrate their successes. This is an opportunity for them to show what they know and to shine!

Finally don't put too much pressure on them. All we ask is that they do their best.

Thank you for your ongoing support and I wish all the children the very best of luck.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Hart Dyke

