



Dear Parents/Carers

It is lovely to see Year 6 back, refreshed after the Easter Holidays and ready to make the most of their last term here at Tatworth. We have a lot to look forward to this term and hope the children will leave with lots of happy memories. Of course, we also have the SATs tests in a couple of weeks!

Leading up to SATs:

We have explained to the children that Focus days will be happening at the end of the half term in order to best prepare them for the tests. Other than this, the timetable will continue mostly as normal, including sport / PE / Forest school on Wednesdays and Thursdays – don't forget your kits!

The homework and amount of work the children bring home during the next three weeks may not follow the specific homework policy as we are making sure the children are fully prepared for the assessments. Please let us know if there are any problems or concerns about these as we are more than happy to talk through and explain any work.

SATS week 13th – 17th May

During this week please make sure that all children are in school on time as all assessments start in the morning. We also ask that all children have a good breakfast that will support them through the morning. A transparent water bottle (without any labels) is also allowed. Please could you make sure your child has this with them each day as they may need it during the tests. If your child wears glasses could you ensure they have these too; all other equipment needed will obviously be provided by the school.

If your child is poorly on any day during SATs week, please could you phone us as soon as you can and we can then discuss with you any alternative provision needs. The following link explains SATs for parents. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-and-2-national-curriculum-tests-information-for-parents>

After SATs:

Over the following few weeks, through to the end of June, in conjunction with our topic work on The Amazon, we will be continuing to collect evidence for the writing assessment. This is an important part of the SATs assessments, so maintaining attendance during this time is vital: passing the writing requirements at KS2 will prepare them for the challenges of secondary school in all their subjects.

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We are looking forward to our theatre trip the week after the SATS on Wednesday 22nd May. Please could you pay for this on Parent Pay. A letter will be sent shortly with further details. In the meantime, we are continuing to raise money towards this and this week will be holding film nights for Key stages 1 and 2. We will be grateful for your support.

In addition, the class will soon be introduced to the End of Year Production and in the second half of the Summer Term we will be working towards it.

Of course, we will also have a leavers trip and our leavers assembly at the end of term!

The children will also be preparing for Secondary School. Holyrood staff will be visiting the school to talk to the children and obviously in July the children will go for transition days to their new schools.

Many thanks for your continued support in the run-up to the tests.

Y6 have shown a positive and mature attitude towards their preparation and we wish them every success.

Regards

Ann Webb

