

SATs Week

During SATs Week, your children will be sitting the following tests. It is essential that all children are at school on time on these days.

Monday 14th May	Grammar, punctuation and spelling 1 Grammar, punctuation and spelling 2
Tuesday 15th May	English Reading
Wednesday 16th May	Mathematics Paper 1—Arithmetic Mathematics Paper 2—Reasoning
Thursday 17th May	Mathematics Paper 3—Reasoning

Throughout the entirety of this week, starting on Monday 14th May and finishing on Friday 18th May, the school will provide a **free breakfast for all Year 6 children.**

Breakfast will be served at 8:15am each day in the small hall on the ground floor of the primary building. A selection of breakfast cereals, toast and spreads will ensure that all children are well fed before starting their tests.

The early start will also provide the children with an opportunity to relieve any last minute nerves by chatting with their friends.

Finally, with all children at school before the start of the day, teachers will be able to spend some time preparing children with last minute revision.

We wish you all the very best of luck!

Buxton School



Year 6



parent Newsletter

Welcome back for the Summer term. We hope you all had a fantastic break and are ready for the challenges of the next half term, especially SATs Week which commences on Monday 14th May!

Over the next few weeks, most of our attention will be focused on ensuring that the children are as prepared as possible for this pivotal week. We will be revising and practicing test techniques so it is vital that everyone is here promptly each day ready to learn.

Outside of assessments, we will be continuing with our Science-focused topic: **Being Human**. We will learn how the heart works, how we can look after it and the effects that various activities have upon it. We will also investigate and research a global health problem.

Booster clubs will continue right up until SATs Week so if your child has been invited, we appreciate your help and support in ensuring that they attend.

Curriculum

Over the next half term, we will be covering the following:

Literacy— We will be revising all of the skills required to be successful in the Reading and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling tests. We will practice answering questions against the clock and familiarising ourselves with past SATs papers so that we know what to expect in May, all the while continuing to learn and practise different spelling rules.

We will also continue reading Malorie Blackman's *Pig Heart Boy*, using it as inspiration to explore the issues surrounding organ transplantation and we will be creating our own non-chronological reports on the workings of the human heart.

Numeracy— We will be recapping all of the mathematical skills we have learned about in Key Stage 2, practising calculating using the four operations, deepening our understanding of fractions, decimals and percentages and using our arithmetic skills to solve word problems. Each class teacher will be planning and delivering lessons which are personalised to your child's needs so that they are all prepared for SATs Week.

We will be following the **International Primary Curriculum (IPC)** to ensure coverage of other subjects. The IPC has been developed to help children connect their learning to where they live now as well as looking at the learning from the perspective of other people in other countries. We will be learning about the following:

Science— The human body.

Technology— How to prepare a healthy meal.

Geography— Improving the health of the world's children.

PSHE— New beginnings and how to resolve conflict.

RE— Islam—The Ummah

PE— Dance, gymnastics and games delivered by PE specialists.

Homework

Maths and literacy homework is given out every Friday and is to be returned by the following Wednesday to your child's literacy and maths teachers.

Children should also aim to read for at least 20 minutes per night. Please read with them when you can and make sure that they are using their reading records to deepen their understanding and practice their comprehension skills.

All children have also been provided with their own individual logins for Times Table Rockstars as well as some newly purchased software called **DoodleMaths. This amazing app is cleverly aligned to the KS2 national curriculum and consists of a range of fun and engaging games designed to appeal to all learning styles. Activities are pitched to your child's individual needs and so provide a brilliant revision tool to be used at home over the next few weeks. Please make sure that your child is making the most of this fantastic resource!**

Reminders

WATER BOTTLES

Please remind your child to bring in a water bottle, which should be taken home at the end of each day.

OUR P.E. DAY IS WEDNESDAY!

All children will need to **bring their PE kit** including a **change of footwear.**

Dates For the Term

Class photos

Wednesday 2nd May 2018

School closed due to Bank Holiday:

Monday 7th May 2018

SATs Week:

Monday 14h—Friday 18th May 2018

The last day of half term:

Friday 25th May 2018

(Children return **Monday 4th June 2018**)