SATs, Snowdonia and Secondary School

Thursday 21st April 2022

Welcome to the meeting, please kindly mute your microphone for a prompt 4pm start

When are the SATs?

- 4 days begin on Monday 9th May
 - Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 1) Monday 9th May 2022;
 - Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 2)
 - Reading Tuesday 10th May 2022
 - Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Wednesday 11th May 2022;
 - Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)
 - Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) Thursday 12th May 2022.
- Writing assessed differently

How are the SATs carried out?

- Normal school hours exam conditions
- Papers are marked externally
- Results are sent back some time in July
- The standard timings of tests differ but last no more than 60 minutes:
 - Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 1) 45 minutes;
 - Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Paper 2) 15 minutes;
 - Reading 60 minutes;
 - Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) 30 minutes;
 - Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning) 40 minutes;
 - Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning) 40 minutes.

Specific arrangements for SATs

Children with additional needs (who have similar support as part of day-to-day learning in school) may be allotted specific arrangements, including:

- Additional (extra) time;
- An adult to scribe (write) for them;
- An adult to read for them;
- The use of prompts or rest breaks
- Arrangements for children who are ill or injured at the time of the tests.

DfE Key Stage 2 access arrangements guidance

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Paper 1

The children will have been working hard with their class teacher on developing and securing their knowledge of the technical vocabulary needed in this test.

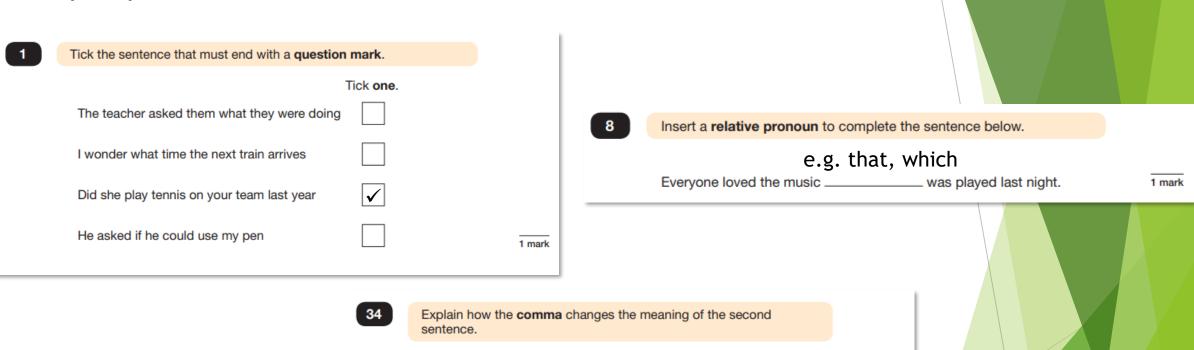
This test focuses on:

- Grammatical terms/ word classes;
- Functions of sentences;
- Combining words, phrases and clauses;
- Verb forms, tenses and consistency;
- Punctuation;
- Vocabulary;
- Standard English and formality.

This test requires a range of answer types but does not require longer formal answers.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Paper 1

Example questions:



 I asked if Jake Thomas and Lily were coming to the barbecue.

2. I asked if Jake, Thomas and Lily were coming to the barbecue.

e.g. The first sentence is about two people and the second sentence is about three people.

1 mark

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Paper 2

Paper 2 is a shorter paper that focuses solely on spellings.

Example questions:

Spelling task

- 1. The dragon is an imaginary ______.
- 2. There was ______ food for everyone.
- 3. My little brother is in _____ class.

Reading: Tuesday 10th May

There is one reading test that lasts for 60 minutes.

The test is designed to measure if the children's comprehension of age-appropriate reading material meets the national standard. There are three different set texts for children to read.

These could be any combination of non-fiction, fiction and/or poetry.



Reading

Since the current testing formation for the SATs began in 2016, there has been a tendency for three types of questions to be the most popular.

In the 2019 Reading SATs paper,

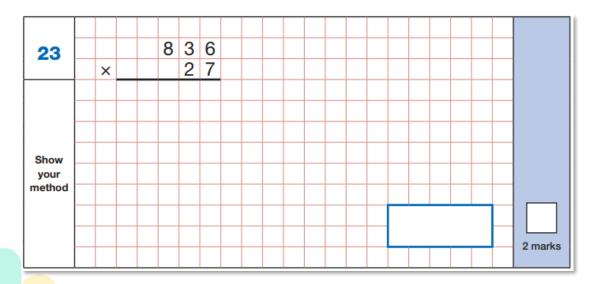
- 12% of marks could be gained from answering questions involving giving and explaining the meaning of words in context;
- 42% of marks could be gained from answering questions involving retrieving and recording information or identifying key details from a text;
- 36% of marks could be gained from answering questions involving making inferences from a text and justifying inferences with text evidence.

Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic)

The maths arithmetic paper has a total of 40 marks.

The test covers the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, including order of operations requiring BIDMAS), percentages of amounts and calculating with decimals and fractions.

Example question:



Qu.	Requirement	Mark	Additional guidance
23	Award TWO marks for the correct answer of 22,572	Up to 2m	
	If the answer is incorrect, award ONE mark for a formal method of long multiplication with no more than ONE arithmetic error, e.g. • 836 × 27 5852 16720 22602 (error) OR • 836 × 27 5612 (error) 16720 22332		Working must be carried through to reach a final answer for the award of ONE mark. Do not award any marks if the error is in the place value, e.g. the omission of the zero when multiplying by tens: 836 × 27 5852 1672 (place value error) 7524



Maths Papers 2 and 3 (Reasoning)

Paper 2 will take place on Wednesday 11th May and paper 3 will take place on Thursday 12th May. These tests have a total of 35 marks each.

These papers require children to demonstrate their mathematical knowledge and skills, as well as their ability to solve problems and their mathematical reasoning. They cover a wide range of mathematical topics from key stage 2 including,

- Number and place value;
- The four operations;
- Geometry (properties of shape, position and direction);
- Statistics;
- Measurement (length, perimeter, mass, volume, time, money);
- Algebra;
- Ratio and proportion;
- Fractions, decimals and percentages.

Supporting your child in preparing for the SATs

Firstly, a positive attitude goes a long way. Give them as much encouragement and support as you can (but we don't need to tell you that)!

Tips:

- Talk to your child's class teacher if you have any concerns rather than worry your child.
- Encourage your child to talk to their teacher or a trusted adult (including yourself) about their anxieties. Don't forget that a small amount of anxiety is normal and not harmful.
- Ensure your child is eating and drinking well and getting a good amount of sleep.



Rhyd-y-Creuau Snowdonia National Park Year 6 residential trip

Monday 13th - Friday 17th June 2022





https://www.field-studiescouncil.org/centres/rhydycreuau/explore.aspx?show=GM

Staffing

- ► Mr Drane
- ► Mrs Sharman
- Mrs Bullen-Smith
- Ms Khan
- Mr Alfie

Accommodation and facilities

- ▶ Rooms of 2, 3, 4, 8 and 11
- ► Shared communal space
- ► Library, Games Room
- ► Small on-site shop (Fair Trade)
- Drying Room
- ► Kit Hire





Food

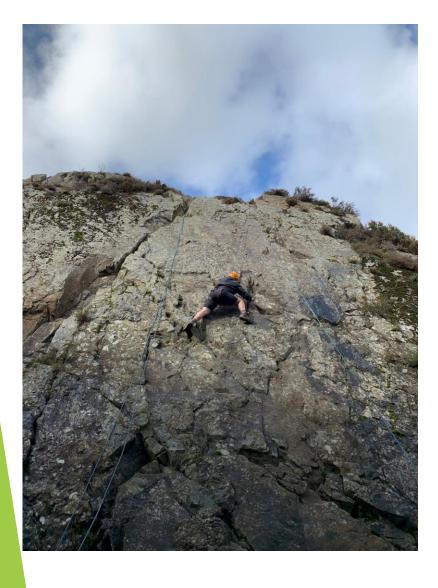
- Nut-free kitchen
- First meal Monday evening; last meal Friday lunch
- Please provide a healthy packed lunch (no nuts) for Monday
- Please provide a few additional healthy snacks, and a named refillable plastic bottle for water
- Children will be supported to make their own packed lunches (Tuesday - Friday), which include sandwiches (as many as they want), home made cakes and fresh fruit.

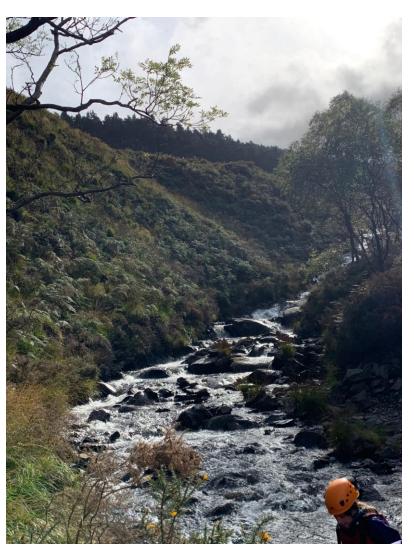
Activities - Day

- Mountain experience walk
- Rock Climbing
- Habitat investigations
- Gorge Scramble
- Ascent of Snowdon

Activities - Evening

- Orienteering
- Team Building Games and Challenges
- Humane small mammal trapping
- Camp Fire







Kit

- See Kit List
- Notes:
 - Walking Boots get them fitted, remove insole to check size, 'break' them in
 - Waterproofs check seams are sealed
 - A maximum of £10 in a named purse (optional)
 - Packed Lunch for first day
 - Towels (bedding is provided)
- Please do not pack:
 - Electronic games or phones
 - Aerosols
 - Jeans

Kit List – Snowdonia Residential Trip 2022

Please ensure **all** kit is clearly named. Thank you.

- Indoor shoes/slippers
- Set of dry clothes for evening
- Underwear
- Towels x 2
- Wash kit (Please do not bring aerosols as these can set off the fire alarm)
- Pyjamas
- Bin bag to bring wet/dirty clothes home
- Book and teddy
- £10 max in a named purse
- Personal medication
- · Packed lunch and drink for first day

Note: bedding and bed linen is provided. Non feather pillows and extra blankets are available on request.

Outdoor Equipment:

- Waterproof jacket *
- Waterproof trousers *
- Wellingtons (not essential but bring them if you have a pair) *
- Walking shoes/boots *

- A pair of old trainers (to get wet in Gorge Scramble)
- Warm fleeces/hoodies x 2/3
- Warm trousers/tracksuit bottoms/leggings (jeans are not good as become cold when wet)
- Shorts
- Swimming costume/trunks and a plastic bag
- Thick socks (several pairs in case they get wet)
- Small Rucksack *
- Reusable sandwich box
- Reusable drinks bottles ** (total capacity of 2l is ideal)

Outdoor Equipment to be packed into day pack/rucksack for the whole week:

- Sun hat/cap
- Woolly hat and warm gloves
- Insect repellent: (small volume, or wipes)
- Sun cream: small volume container
- Lipsalve
- Blister plasters
- Spare warm top

Optional

- Torch
- Notebook, pencils, pens, rubbers **

Medical

- We will take all the medicines we have in school for your children.
- We will take Infant Paracetamol and Anti-Histamine: please sign a permission slip.
- Daily meds clearly labelled with names and dosages, handed in the morning of departure to Ms Khan, please.
- Prescription as above, with clearly marked dosages.
- Travel Sickness medicine please give your child a dose, if needed, for the outward journey and provide us with enough for return.
- Children must not have any medical items in their own bags please, all should be handed in for our safe-keeping

Day of departure

- ► Time: Registration in school at 7.20am
- ► Departure: 7.30am
- ► Clothing: Ready for action

► We will break the journey around Birmingham and should arrive at the Centre by 1.00pm.

Return Arrangements

► We will leave the Centre after lunch, and aim to return to school by 6pm.

► We will update you on progress of our journey via Twitter.

Emergency Contact

► Get in touch with us via school during the school day:

▶ 01223 792440

Centre (Rhyd-y-Creuau) number for emergency use only:

▶ 01690 713029

Updates

You will be able to follow us on Twitter:



► @Year6Snowdonia

Next Steps

- Ensure your payments and permission are all up to date via ParentMail
- Please review medical and contact details we hold on record for you, update as necessary, sign and return to us ASAP.
- Sign and return Infant Paracetamol and Anti-Histamine permission slip.
- If there are any changes (such as emergency contacts) before the trip please let us know in writing.
- If you have any unanswered questions or queries please do come and see one of us as soon as possible.

Secondary School

- Meetings take place with the schools your children have places at
- We share information about SEND, academic performance and individual qualities
- We have a series of transition lessons that we run from now until the end of the year to discuss the particular challenges of secondary school - timetables, friendships etc.
- If you have questions about appeals please contact your class teacher to see if they can help
- Any other questions, let us know