

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
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- ▶ 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:

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Tick the sentence that must end with a **question mark**.

Tick **one**.

The teacher asked them what they were doing ☐

I wonder what time the next train arrives ☐

Did she play tennis on your team last year ☒

He asked if he could use my pen ☐

1 mark

8

Insert a **relative pronoun** to complete the sentence below.

e.g. that, which

Everyone loved the music _____ was played last night.

1 mark

34

Explain how the **comma** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

1. 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:

23	$\begin{array}{r} 836 \\ \times 27 \\ \hline \end{array}$										2 marks
	Show your method										

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

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.



The background features abstract, overlapping green geometric shapes, primarily triangles and polygons, in various shades of green, creating a modern and dynamic design.

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

Monday 13th - Friday 17th June 2022



<https://www.field-studies-council.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