**Key Stage 1 – SATs information**

The following handout contains key information about the Key Stage 1 assessment and end of year expectations. If you upon reading have any questions regarding end of year expectations and how the assessment is carried out please do not hesitate to ask.

Year 2 is assessed in reading, writing, grammar, spelling, maths and science.

The assessments are done in two ways – Key Stage 1 SATs and teacher assessment.

The Key Stage 1 SATs are used to simply inform and support teacher assessment.

Teacher assessments are reported to the Local Authority at the end of June.

Moderation by the Local Authority may occur to ensure consistency.

**Key Stage 1 SATs tests**

* Reading – Paper 1 and Paper 2
* English grammar, punctuation and spelling – Paper 1 (spelling) Paper 2 (punctuation and grammar)
* Maths – Arithmetic Paper and Reasoning Paper

The tests are due to take place any time in May.

**Scale Scores**

When your child completes a test, they will get a raw score. This is then translated into a scaled score. It is planned that 100 will always represent the national standard. A child who achieves the national standard will be judged to have demonstrated sufficient knowledge in the areas assessed by the test.

**Reading**

Paper 1 – consists of a selection of texts with questions underneath the corresponding text. Paper 1 totals between 400 and 700 words.

Paper 2 – consists of a reading booklet with a selection of passages totalling around 800 – 1100 words. Children write their answers to questions about the passage in a separate booklet.

Each paper is worth 50% of the marks and should take approximately 30minutes to complete. However the children are not being assessed at working at speed so will not be strictly timed.

The texts will cover a range of poetry, fiction and non-fiction.

Questions are designed to assess the comprehension and understanding of a child’s reading.

Some questions are multiple choice or circle a correct answer whilst others require a short response or explanation.

**Maths**

Paper 1 – Arithmetic (should take approximately 20 minutes)

Paper 2 – Reasoning (should take approximately 35 minutes)

Again both papers are not strictly timed as children are not assessed on their ability to work at speed.

The arithmetic paper covers calculation methods for all four operations (adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing)

The reasoning paper covers problem solving, reasoning and mathematical fluency. The paper also includes some mental maths.

Children are not allowed to use resources to support them.

**How to help your child**

* Praise and encourage
* Ensure your child has the best possible attendance at school
* Support your child with any homework tasks.
* Reading, spelling and arithmetic (e.g. times tables) are always good practise.
* Make sure your child has a good sleep and healthy breakfast every morning.