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Year 2 tests: information for parents

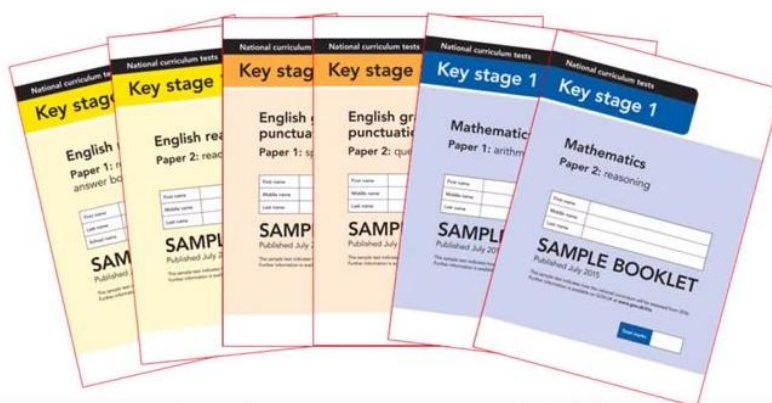
As your child will soon be completing the end of Year 2, teachers must administer the English and mathematics tests to help make a secure judgement for their final teacher assessment at the end of Key Stage 1. This information provides the answers to commonly asked questions about the tests.

When will you administer the Year 2 tests?

The government requires us to administer the tests during May. We will do this during a two week period **the week beginning the 11th and 18th May** (the two weeks before we break up for half-term). All children will not necessarily do the tests at the same time as each other- we do some tests in small groups as we feel that many children benefit from this support. It would be helpful if you could ensure your child's full attendance in school during this period and the run up to it.

What tests will my child do?

Your child will do the required **two reading papers** and the **two maths papers**. The spelling, punctuation and grammar test is optional and therefore the children in this school will NOT be completing this particular test.



Will my child worry?

Teachers try to keep the tests as low key as possible as they are well aware of the children's young age. They are allowed to give the children a rest break if needed, allow more time and stop the test if necessary. Please do not talk excessively about the tests at home as this can sometimes start to worry some children. We try to make the tests sound fun and special and give appropriate praise and reward!

What will the results look like?

The codes that are used are the same for all schools across the country and are as follows:
For maths and English:

WTS means they are working towards the expected standard (ie. has not met all the requirements yet)

EXS means they have met the expected standard for the end of Year 2 (Key Stage 1)

GDS means they are working at a “greater depth” than the expected standard (ie. above)

In science, there is one significant difference in how the result is reported to you- your child will be graded as HNS (has not met the standard) or EXS (has met the expected standard). GDS (greater depth) is not reported for science.

Scaled scores are not automatically reported to parents, but will be available from the school office upon request once the results are sent to you.

When do I receive the results?

You will receive your child’s test results in July along with your child’s annual School Report.

Where can I access past papers or get more information?

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials>

Past papers also available on our school website. Go to “Curriculum” and click on “Year 2”.

How can I best help my child?

- Continue helping him or her with homework on a regular basis.
- It would be useful to revise spellings homework and to practise handwriting, including any joined up letters that your child has been taught.
- Make sure your child is not overtired during the two test weeks and try to ensure his or her full attendance during the test weeks and the run up to the weeks.
- You could complete the practice papers available online with your child if you think it will be of benefit or purchase practice books. Some of you bought the CGP books from us earlier in the year, so keep up the good work with them as well. Order forms are available at the school office.



If you have any further queries, please email the school office at mwis@eastriding.gov.uk and we will do our best to assist.

