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Dear parents and carers,

Re: Year 6 SATs week

As you may know, this week the Year 6 pupils completed their SATs papers in Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, Reading and Maths. These started on Tuesday and were completed today. Any pupils who have been absent will have either already done their test or will complete them next week as a 'timetable variation'.

There have been reports in the media that some schools have had high incidences of pupils being negatively impacted upon due to the tests. As a school, whilst we have to ensure our pupils take the tests, we are proud that we offer the level of support we do. This involves practicing the test approach beforehand, including specific staff, smaller and quieter rooms, extra time, readers, scribes and motivational support.

One of our parent Governors, Matt Williams, monitored our test administration this week and reported, *'You and your staff never fail to impress me with their professionalism and how they conduct themselves in each of the tasks I've been lucky enough to observe them as a team.'*

Myself and the year 6 staff team have been impressed with the pupil's perseverance and hard work. They have tried their best and that is all we can ask of them. We are all very proud of them – I hope that you join us in congratulating them for their efforts this week.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Miss Cotchin
Head teacher

Our School Values are: Inclusion, Perseverance, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility and Collaboration.

