

**07.12.2020**

Dear Parents / Carers

You may have seen in the news recently that the government has announced some changes to the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Standardised Assessment Tests (SATs). The changes are as follow:

**Key Stage 1 Assessments.**

There will be no official Key Stage 1 SATs this year at the end of Year 2.

We will continue to work towards the end of Key Stage outcomes and will provide parents with our teacher assessment of pupils at the end of the academic year as per usual.

**Key Stage 2 Assessments.**

In normal circumstances, the 'SATs' would consist of three parts:

- Reading
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
- Maths (3 papers)

Each of these would be assessed through tests in May 2021. In addition to these SATs, there would be a Teacher Assessment of the writing ability of our pupils.

The recent announcement has stated that the Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar aspect will not officially take place this year, but the other assessments will take place as expected.

The SATs have been delayed by a week so will now commence the week beginning 24th May. There will be a Reading Assessment and a series of 3 Maths assessments. The writing assessment is a judgement built up over the year of their work during school time.

We, however, think that the Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar aspect of the work is still vitally important to the pupils development and so we, at Red Rose, will be undertaking an equivalent assessment of the Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar, as if it was part of the procedure. This will not be officially reported, but we will report the outcome to you and the pupils.

We will give more details early in the New Year, but wanted to inform you as soon as possible of the current position.

Take care and keep safe

Mrs Brinton

**Aim High Be Proud**

*Respect Excellence Determination Responsibility Opportunity Support for Others Equality*

[www.redroseprimaryschool.com](http://www.redroseprimaryschool.com)