

Key Stage 2 SATS 2026

Information for Parents

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What are the SATS?

The SATS (Statutory/Standard Assessment Tests) are completed at the end of Key Stage 2 by all children in Year 6.

The tests are taken for a variety of reasons:

- They help measure the attainment of pupils in a fair, standardised and measurable way
- They help teachers and parents identify where children may need additional support, before they begin secondary school
- They help measure the performance of schools, such as the quality of teaching
- The results help benchmark and compare schools across the UK

What are the SATS?

The SATS are the primary method of measuring the attainment of children in schools.

The children will complete assessments in:

- English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
- English Reading Comprehension
- Mathematics

The children will also be assessed on their English Writing; however, this will be completed by Mr Gilder, Miss Chapman and external moderators in June 2026.

When are the SATS?

The SATS take place between Monday 11th May and Thursday 14th May 2026. Year 6 children across the UK all take the same tests, at the same time and under the same conditions.

Our timetable will be:

Monday 11th May	Tuesday 12th May	Wednesday 13th May	Thursday 14th May
English GPS Paper 1: Questions	English Reading	Mathematics Paper 1: Arithmetic	Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning
English GPS Paper 2: Spelling		Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning	

When are the SATS?

The SATS will be administered by Miss Chapman and Mr Gilder. Staff throughout the school will also be supporting, as some children may be entitled to readers, scribes, breaks, or additional time.

Monday 11th May	Tuesday 12th May	Wednesday 13th May	Thursday 14th May	
English GPS Paper 1: Questions 45 minutes 56 minutes 15 secs	English Reading 60 minutes 75 minutes Adults cannot read	Mathematics Paper 1: Arithmetic 30 minutes 37 minutes, 15 secs	Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning 40 minutes 50 minutes	Allowed Time With Additional Time (+25%)
English GPS Paper 2: Spelling Approx. 15 minutes		Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning 40 minutes 50 minutes		

Preparing for the SATS

Date/Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Notes	PE Kit	PE Kit			
EMA/Register 08:45-09:05	EMA (Maths)	EMA (PSHE)	EMA (GPS)	EMA (Science)	EMA (Reading Cafe)
Morning 1 09:05-09:15	EMA (Maths)	PSHE 09:00-09:30	EMA (GPS)	Maths	EMA (Reading Cafe)
Morning 1 09:15-09:30	Monday Assembly	Maths 09:30-10:30	Singing Assembly 		Achievement Assembly
Morning 2 09:30-10:30	Maths		Maths		Maths (Arithmetic Test)
Morning 3 10:30-11:00	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Guided Reading
Break (15 mins)					
Morning 3 11:15-12:35	Spelling (15 mins) English	Handwriting (15 mins) English	Spelling (15 mins) English	Handwriting (15 mins) English	Spelling (15 mins) English
Lunch (50 mins)					
Afternoon 1 13:25-14:15	History	French	Science	DT	GPS
Afternoon 2 14:15-15:15	PE	PE - Pure Sports	RE	Music	Computing
Afternoon 3 15:15-15:25			Memory Maths	GPS	Reading for Pleasure
Reading/Home 15:25-					

In Term 4:

- "Normal" timetable
- Test-style EMA activities
- More reading opportunities

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Morning 1 09:15-09:30	Monday Assembly		Singing Assembly		Achievement Assembly
Morning 2 09:30-10:30	Maths	Maths	Maths		
Morning 3 10:30-11:00	GPS	GPS	GPS	GPS	GPS
Break (15 mins)					
Morning 3 11:15-12:35	English - Reading Comp (NF) English - Writing	English - Reading Comp (Poetry) English - Writing	English - Reading Comp (F) English - Writing	English - Reading Comp (NF) English - Writing	Reading for Pleasure English - Writing
Lunch (50 mins)					
Afternoon 1 13:25-14:00	Guided Reading	French	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Computing
Afternoon 2 14:00-15:00	PE (Teacher)	PE (Pure Sports) (14:20-15:20)	Geography / Science	Geography / Science	Geography / Science Enrichment
Afternoon 3 15:00-15:15	Memory Maths		Memory Maths	Memory Maths	Enrichment
Reading/Home 15:15-15:25			SATS Booster Club (15:30-16:25)		

In Term 5:

- Weeks 1-3 different structure
- Not taking lots of practice tests
- Skills focus each morning
- Topic and enrichment focus in the afternoons

SATS Week

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English GPS Paper 1: Questions	English Reading	Mathematics Paper 1: Arithmetic	Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning
English GPS Paper 2: Spelling		Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning	

During SATS Week, the children will:

- Be provided with a healthy breakfast in school
- Be given time to regulate, settle and feel prepared
- Have minimal test practice or prep during this week
- Have extra breaks and a clear focus on their wellbeing
- Have enrichment and less formal learning in the afternoons
- In Week 5, we will "block" learning to catch up

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Children must attend school and sit the SATS during this week.

If children need to be absent, they will:

- Not be allowed to see or communicate with other children in school when they return
- Complete any missed tests (under the same conditions)
- Be isolated from the class until they have caught up

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To help the children during this week, please ensure:

- They feel supported and their wellbeing is put first
- They are not "cramming" or overly studying - some revising is fine, but it should be limited to 10-15 minutes
- They eat well, drink plenty of water and prioritise sleep
- They are prepared and know what to expect

SATS Booster Club (Wednesdays)

From Wednesday 11th March to Wednesday 6th May, there will be a SATS Booster Club with Mr Gilder (15:30-16:25) in Rowan Class.

The aim of the club will be:

- Tailored support for areas of weakness
- Practicing test skills
- Offering access to SBC

We will not just be taking tests, and it will not feel like a usual lesson. It will be dictated by the children, be collaborative and be based on their needs each week. There will be no club during SATS Week.

SATS Boot Camp

As part of our home learning, the children now have access to SATS Boot Camp (SBC). The children have been provided with laminated logins - they have another copy in school.

SBC offers:

- Practice SATS Papers from 2016-2025*
- This covers arithmetic, reasoning, GPS and reading
- A "Revise" section with 50 different topics across Maths and Literacy

*2024 and 2025 papers will be made available after Assessment Week... so that they can't practice the questions in advance!

SATS Boot Camp

Maths			English		
Arithmetic	Reasoning 1	Reasoning 2	Spelling	Spag Short Answers	Reading
Arithmetic Test 1	Arithmetic Test 2	Arithmetic Test 3	Arithmetic Test 4	Arithmetic Test 5	
Arithmetic Test 6	Arithmetic Test 7	Arithmetic Test 8	Arithmetic Test 9	Arithmetic Test 10	
Arithmetic Test 11	Arithmetic Test 12	Arithmetic Test 13	Arithmetic Test 14	Arithmetic Test 15	
Arithmetic Test 16	Arithmetic Test 17	Arithmetic Test 18	Arithmetic Test 19	Arithmetic Test 20	
Arithmetic Test 21	Arithmetic Test 22	Arithmetic Test 23	Arithmetic Test 24	Arithmetic Test 25	
Past Papers					
Arithmetic 2016 Sample	Arithmetic 2016	Arithmetic 2017	Arithmetic 2018	Arithmetic 2019	

SATS Boot Camp

The graphic features a city skyline background with a blue sky. On the left, a blue superhero cape is visible, and on the right, a red superhero cape is visible. The graphic is divided into two main sections: 'maths boot camp' on the left and 'literacy boot camp' on the right. Each section contains a grid of 12 topic boxes, numbered 1 to 12.

maths boot camp			literacy boot camp		
Topic 1 Addition	Topic 2 Subtraction	Topic 3 Multiplication	Topic 1 Basic Punctuation	Topic 2 Commas & Inverted Commas	Topic 3 Apostrophes
Topic 4 Division	Topic 5 Order of Operations & Number Systems	Topic 6 Roman Numerals & Properties of Numbers	Topic 4 Colons & Semi-colons	Topic 5 Other Punctuation	Topic 6 Nouns & Pronouns
Topic 7 Fractions	Topic 8 Decimals	Topic 9 Percentages	Topic 7 Adjectives	Topic 8 Verbs	Topic 9 Adverbs & Adverbials
Topic 10 Equivalence	Topic 11 Measurements	Topic 12 Area & Perimeter	Topic 10 Reading Skills, Vocabulary & Language	Topic 11 Types of sentences	Topic 12 Clauses & Phrases

Looking Ahead

After the SATS, Rowan Class can look forward to:

- Friday 15th May - "Freedom Day"
- Tuesday 19th May - Bluewater: Gravity and Showcase Cinema
- Thursday 21st May - Knole Park
- Thursday 4th June - London Eye and Hercules Musical
- Monday 15th-Wednesday 17th June - Caroty Wood Residential
- Tuesday 23rd June - Sports Day
- Thursday 2nd July (TBC) - Secondary Transition Day
- Monday 6th-Wednesday 9th July - Rowan Class Production
- Thursday 16th July - Bubble Football and Leavers Party
- Friday 17th July - Leavers Service and Picnic

Questions?

When will we receive the SATS results?

- Schools are notified of results on 7th July 2026. The results will be sent home by Friday 10th July, with the EOY Report.

Will school feel different for the children?

- No, the children should not notice much change - the children are used to their routines and learning expectations will remain mostly the same.

Will you just be practicing tests?

- The children will complete a Mock SATS Week in Week 5 of this term, but this is part of our normal assessment cycle. Otherwise, there will be a focus on tests skills, not taking tests.

Keeping in Touch

Mr Gilder is available for informal chats on the class door at 08:45 or 15:25 (except Tuesday afternoons).

Email: rowanclass@hadlow.kent.sch.uk, which is monitored from 08:00-17:00, Monday to Friday.

Meetings: please email (as above) or call the office (01732 850349).

Open Classrooms: Monday 27th - Wednesday 29th April - please come into the classroom (15:30-16:00) to look through books and speak to the teaching team.