

# Welcome to the Year 6 SATs Information evening

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# What is year 6 like?





# SATs 2023

- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May  
English grammar and spelling papers 1 and 2
- Wednesday 10th May  
English reading
- Thursday 11th May  
Mathematics papers 1 and 2
- Friday 12th May  
Mathematics paper 3

# Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

- One paper which cover Punctuation and Grammar questions (45 mins)

- 20 spellings – learn them throughout the year!

Children are usually not tested on the statutory words but on words which follow rules, use particular letter strings or tricky spellings - with silent letters for example.

(Children should demonstrate they can spell the statutory spellings in their writing throughout the year.)

## Examples of Questions in the SPaG paper

Circle all the prepositions in the sentence below.

He walked through the doorway and sat behind the desk.

a) Write an explanation of the word **antonym**.

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b) Write one word that is an **antonym** of fierce.

Tick one box in each row to show whether the sentence is written in the **active voice** or the **passive voice**.

Sentence	Active	Passive
Otters live in clean rivers.		
Fish are eaten by otters.		
Usually, otters are playful creatures.		

Underline the **relative clause** in the sentence below.

The old house that is next to our school is for sale.



# The Reading Test

- 1 hour to do the whole test
- No separate reading time
- 3 different texts which get harder each time
- No overall theme. Could include poetry.

Extracts from a previous reading paper.

*Maria and Oliver are attending a party in the garden of a house that used to belong to Maria's family. They sneak away to explore the grounds.*

# *The Lost Queen*

Maria and Oliver were quite a distance from the party when they found the little rowing boat in the grassy shallows of a small lake beyond the garden.

Glancing nervously behind her, Maria suggested that they row out to the island in the middle of the lake. Oliver looked at her questioningly. Maria explained that there was a secret monument on the island to one of her ancestors. This was a woman who had married a prince at the time when there was a struggle for the throne. The struggle had been between two rival families – one had a lion as its symbol, the winner had a bear.

“Come on,” Maria said impatiently.



Dawn was casting spun-gold threads across a rosy sky over Sawubona Game Reserve as Martine Allen took a last look around to ensure there weren't any witnesses. She leaned forward like a jockey on the track, wound her fingers through a silver mane, and cried, 'Go, Jemmy, go.'

The white giraffe sprang forward so suddenly that she was almost unseated, but she recovered and, wrapping her arms around his neck, quickly adjusted to the familiar rhythm of Jemmy's rocking-horse stride. They swept past the dam and a herd of bubble-blowing hippos, past a flock of startled egrets lifting from the trees like white glitter, and out onto the open savannah plain. An early morning African chorus of doves, crickets and go-away birds provided a soundtrack.



# The Way of the Dodo



The dodo was first sighted around 1600 on an island in the Indian Ocean. It was extinct by 1680. Since then the phrase 'dead as a dodo' has been used to describe something which is lifeless or has disappeared from the world completely. Because of its rapid disappearance, a number of myths developed about the dodo, for example that it was a fat, silly creature that brought its fate upon itself.

But what is the **truth** about the dodo?

For thousands of years the island of Mauritius was a paradise. It was spat out of the ocean floor by an underwater volcano 8 million years ago. With warm sun, plentiful food and no predators to speak of, the isolated island became a haven for a variety of unusual species, including reptiles and flightless birds.

Then, in 1598, humans descended on this paradise, accompanied by their own animals – dogs, goats, cats (and a fair number of rats!). Curious and unafraid, the animals of Mauritius offered themselves up for slaughter and, within just a few decades, much of the island's unique wildlife had been wiped out forever.

## Examples of questions in the reading paper.

Look at the paragraph beginning: *The tiny island...* to the paragraph ending: *...were cut into it.*

What impressions of the island do you get from these two paragraphs?

Give **two**.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

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Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is **true** or **false**.

	True	False
Two families fought for the throne.		
Maria's family symbol was the lion.		
The monument was for a prince.		

(a) The text begins with Martine going out to ride her giraffe...

in the early  
morning.

at midday.

in the late  
afternoon.

at night.

In what ways might Martine's character appeal to many readers?

Explain fully, referring to the text in your answer.


What evidence is there of Martine being stubborn in the way she behaved with her grandmother?

Give **two** points.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What evidence is there of Martine being determined when she met the warthogs?


# SATs writing 2023 arrangements

- Assessed throughout the year through teacher assessment. Possible moderated in July by DCC
- Children assessed as working below, at or above age related expectations.



# The Maths Test

- Paper 1 – Arithmetic 30 minutes (36 questions)
- Paper 2 – Reasoning 45 minutes
- Paper 3 – Reasoning 45 minutes
- There is no longer a calculator paper and tracing paper can't be used any more in any of the tests.

## Examples of calculations in Paper 1

$$60 - 42 \div 6 =$$

$$\frac{2}{5} \times 140 =$$


$$122,456 - 11,999 =$$

$$15 \times 6.1 =$$

### Examples of questions in paper 2 and 3.

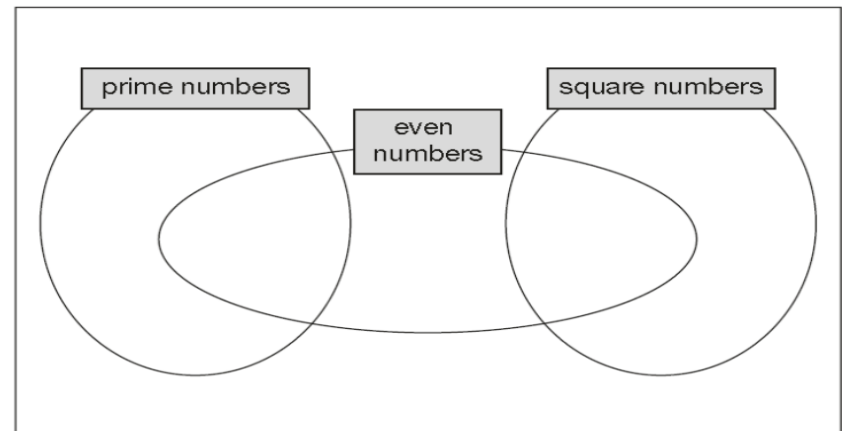
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# How do WE help?

Revision of knowledge and skills

Teaching test technique –timing/pacing, one topic to another

Booster groups

Past test questions

Extra guided groups

Practice papers

Homework

Broad and balanced curriculum!

# How can you help?

- Homework
- Reading at home – stamina and targeted questioning
- Revision guides
  - [www.haslamandhall.co.uk](http://www.haslamandhall.co.uk)
- Please do NOT use past papers
- Chilling time

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**Thank You**