



National curriculum tests
Key stage 1

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Key stage 2

National Exams

CONGRATULATIONS to all the children in Year 2, who have completed their National SATs tests this week, and GOOD LUCK to Year 6 who will be sitting their grammar, spelling, reading, maths and arithmetic exams next week. Children in Years 3, 4 and 5 will be sitting Ark grammar and arithmetic tests during the week beginning Monday 21 May. The results of these tests will be shared with you during the home learning workshops in June, however the results of National exams will not be released until July.

Ramadan



Every year, Muslims across the world take part in Ramadan. This annual fast is integral to Islamic faith and will take place from mid-May

to mid-June, starting next week. Ramadan is a time for spiritual reflection, acts of charity and spending time with loved ones.

It is also a month when Muslims fast. This means they do not eat or drink between sunrise and sunset, which allows them to devote themselves further to their faith. Before sunrise, they will have a meal (suhour) and another meal (iftar) after sunset. The reason why Muslims fast is because it is one of the Five Pillars of Islam, the other pillars being faith, prayer, charity and a pilgrimage to Mecca.

Eid al-Fitr is a festival and celebration that marks the end of Ramadan, and we will mark this special occasion with Eid parties at school. To all those families taking part in Ramadan this year, we wish you Ramadan Kareem and look forward to celebrating Eid al-Fitr with you in June.

Reading Record Logs

Please look inside the front cover of your child's reading record log for the guide below to writing better quality comments every night after daily reading. We have noticed that children often start their comments with the words 'I like ...' and 'I love ...'. We think the children can write much more thoughtful comments and hope that the list of sentence starter prompts, created by Ms. Camacho below, will support them to achieve this.

Please discuss the section of the text that has been read and help them to rehearse their comment aloud before writing it in neat, joined handwriting.



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Reading Record Log Sentence Starters Years 1 to 3

- I wonder why...
- I enjoyed this part/ the opening/ ending/ build up...
- In the opening/ ending...
- The setting of this book/text reminds me of...
- I think that...
- I did not think that...
- I felt _____ when _____ because...
- If I were (character's name), I would...
- The character _____ reminds me of...
- I inferred that _____ because/ when...
- I learnt that...
- This part would have been better if...



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Reading Record Log Sentence Starters Years 4, 5, 6

- I wonder why...
- The author has left me...
- This section reminded me of...
- I enjoyed this part/ the opening/ ending/ build up...
- In the opening/ ending...
- I would expect that...
- I never expected...
- I felt _____ when _____ because...
- The character I most relate to is... because...
- If I were (character's name), I would...
- I inferred that _____ because/ when...
- I correctly predicted that...
- I learnt that...

Pen licenses



Congratulations to Ala M, Blerina D in Year 3 and Lexi B H in Year 5 who have achieved the honour of being able to use a black pen in lessons, instead of a pencil. Their handwriting and presentation in all of their books is now at the expected standard. If your child thinks they might be ready to enter all their books for review, please let Mrs Deeks know.

Upcoming events:

Date and time	Events
Friday 18 May 3:10pm	Year 3 class assembly
Monday 21 May 9:00	Open School
Friday 25 May 3:10pm	Nursery class assembly