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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of the return to normal academic operations, this summer term we are returning to full national accountability for schools.

For primary schools this means undertaking and publishing the following statutory assessments

- 1. Early Years Foundation Stage for all pupils in Gruffalo
- 2. **Phonics Screen** for all pupils in Y1 and for those pupils in Y2 who didn't meet the expected standard in Y1 previously.
- 3. KS1 National Curriculum Assessments in Reading, Writing, Maths and Science all pupils in Y2
- 4. Multiplication Tables Check all pupils in Y4
- 5. KS2 National Curriculum Assessments in Reading, Writing, Maths and Science all pupils in Y6

More information

- These are assessments made by the teacher for each child against all of the Early Learning Goals. They
 are made using evidence gathered across the Reception year. The child is not tested and is not aware
 they are being assessed. These assessments are finalised at the latest by 30th June. Each child's
 assessments will be reported to their respective parents.
- These are short tests carried out 1adult : 1 pupil. The children have to read 40 real or nonsense words, using their knowledge of the phonemes (sounds) and graphemes (written letters/words) that they have been taught. There is a pass mark usually 32 out of 40. They are made fun and engaging for pupils. These are due to take place in week commencing 6th June. Each child's score will be reported to their respective parents.
- 3. These are assessments made by the teacher for each pupil against the national curriculum frameworks. They are made using evidence of independent work gathered across the year. Each child's assessments will be reported to their respective parents as either **'meeting the expected standard**' or **'working towards the expected standard'**, **'working below the expected standard'** or **'working at greater depth'**.

The teacher assessments in Reading and Maths are <u>supported</u> by compulsory tests. The test scores in reading and maths are not published and don't necessarily dictate the child's result. These tests are taking place **between 16th and 23rd May**.



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- 4. These are short online tests carried out on tablets. There are 25 x table statements to complete accurately, with 6 second intervals between each one. Children work in small groups (3s) with a teacher, and an tablets each. There is a pass mark, but this is not yet available to schools. These are due to take place in week commencing 13th June. Each child's score will be reported to their respective parents.
- 5. Pupils are tested in Reading, Maths and Punctuation, Grammar and Spelling these are the **SATs**. These tests are marked externally and results are published to the school. School performance is published nationally. These took place in week commencing **9**th **May**.

Each child's results (in the form of level – see bold below, and in the form of standardised scores) will be reported to their respective parents.

There will also be assessments in writing and science. As with Y2, these will be made by the teacher for each pupil against the national curriculum frameworks. They are made using evidence of independent work gathered across the year.

Each child's assessments will be reported to their respective parents as either **'meeting the expected standard**' or **'working towards the expected standard'**, **'working below the expected standard'** or **'working at greater depth'**.

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All reporting of formal assessments to parents will be as part of the annual school report document sent by every school. Our reports will be published to parents on **15**th July.

To support the above, the following documents can be accessed on the school website.

- blank school report formats
- Standards and Testing Agency guidance about KS1, KS2 and Multiplication tests

Find them here <u>http://www.rusper.w-sussex.sch.uk/website/pupil_assessments_and_reports/609025</u>

If you would like to discuss any elements of this letter further please don't hesitate to make contact via the usual channels.

Many thanks



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