

## Year 6 letter

Dear Parents,

This four-day week, the children have once again worked very hard preparing for the maths, reading and SPaG tests which take place next week. I have been so impressed with the children's attitude towards these tests. I am confident that they are well-prepared and that they will do really well. However, we do need to keep some perspective about the tests and I certainly don't want the children feeling really anxious about next week. I have given all the children a letter today, a copy of which is at the end of this letter. I confess that I saw something similar on the internet and loved it, so I wrote my own version.

### Teacher of the Week

This week it was Daniel's turn to be the teacher and we certainly loved his lesson! He spoke clearly and confidently about games, then taught the class to play draughts. The children played in pairs and had a great time. Many of the children had never played the game before, so Daniel really taught them something new.



### Intervention groups

Since Mrs Bowie's early morning groups were designed to support the children with SATs preparation, these sessions will no longer be taking place.

### Home learning

There is no home learning this weekend. I just want the children to relax and enjoy themselves and also to get plenty of sleep.  
Best wishes,

Louise  
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Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Year 6

Next week, you will sit your SATs tests in Maths, Reading and SPaG. You have all worked incredibly hard in preparation for the tests and I am full of confidence that you will do really well. However, there is something important you need to know...

The SATs do not test all of what makes each of you special and unique. The people who have created these tests do not know you the way that I do and they certainly don't know you the way your families do. They do not know that some of you are amazing footballers and some love to dance. They don't know about how artistic some of you are or how musical. They don't realise that some of you know an amazing amount about history or nature. They don't know about how kind you are and how supportive you are of each other, how respectful you are and how you always give your best, even if you find things hard. They don't know how you all bring a smile to my face every day and how lucky I feel to be your teacher.

The results you get from your SATs will tell you something, but they certainly will not tell you everything. Remember, there is no way to test all of the awesome things that make you YOU!

This weekend, rest, relax and believe in yourselves.

Best wishes,

Mrs G x