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Dear Year 2 families,

Next week, we are going to begin our formal end of Key Stage 1 Assessments. These tests happen across the country and all Year 2 children must sit them. Unlike the Year 6 tests (which children sat this week), the school can choose when the Year 2 children take their exams (as long as they sit them in the month of May) and the staff at school mark the tests. **The results are used to inform the teacher's judgements** and your child's test score may differ from their final grade. The staff will use all of the work that they have done this year as evidence of their true ability and subsequent grade.

The tests will be administered to the children as a whole class, smaller groups or even individually. Mrs Frost and Miss Eadon will decide what scenario is best for each child based on their normal classroom practice. The tests are not strictly timed and the children can have short breaks in the test if necessary. Please find information about the scheduling for each test below.

Thursday 18 th May	Grammar, spelling and punctuation – Paper 1	Test will take approximately 15 minutes.	Miss Eadon and Mrs Giacalone will administer the test.
Friday 19 th May	Grammar, spelling and punctuation – Paper 2	Test will take approximately 20 minutes	Miss Eadon and Mrs Giacalone will administer the test.
Monday 22 nd May	Reading – Paper 1	Test will take approximately 30 minutes.	Mrs Frost and Mrs Giacalone will administer the test.
Tuesday 23 rd May	Reading – Paper 2	Test will take approximately 40 minutes.	Mrs Frost and Mrs Giacalone will administer the test.
Wednesday 24 th May	Maths – Paper 1	Arithmetic. Test will take approximately 20 minutes.	Miss Eadon and Miss McNamara will administer the test.
Thursday 25 th May	Maths – Paper 2	Reasoning. Test will take approximately 35 minutes.	Miss Eadon and Mrs Giacalone will administer the test.

We don't want to make a big fuss about the Key Stage 1 SATs; the children are very young and at St. Peter's we encourage the children to be the best they can be all of the time. I have no doubts that they will rise to the occasion and do really well in these assessments. We have planned lots of fun activities from them to do when the tests aren't going on so that they don't get anxious or feel stressed by this process. It is important that this view is supported at home and we ask parents to make sure children enjoy lots of play time, good food and a good night's rest.

It is very important that your child attends school during this period of testing. If your child is unwell, please let the school know as soon as possible. They can sit a missed test on another day before Friday 26th May but of course, we would hope that they aren't faced with a backlog of tests at the end of the week!

We thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Best wishes,

Miss T. McNamara
Headteacher