### Holy Trinity C of E Primary School

## Parent Information



### December 2021







#### The Key Stage 2 tests will take place from 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May 2022

#### Key stage 2

The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 9 May to Thursday 12 May 2022.

Date	Activity		
Monday 9 May 2022	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2		
Tuesday 10 May 2022	English reading		
Wednesday 11 May 2022	Mathematics papers 1 and 2		
Thursday 12 May 2022	Mathematics paper 3		



## How are the tests graded?



- <u>The marked tests will provide the following information:</u>
  - A raw score (i.e. number of marks)
  - A scaled score (see below)
  - An indication of whether the National Standard has been met.
- In scaled scores, a score of 100 represents the national standard. The lowest is 80 and the highest is 120.
- After each test is marked, it will be converted into a scaled score and that will show whether a pupil is working at the National Standard, or above or below it.
- A pupil will need to achieve a scaled score of 100 to show that they have met the National Standard on the test.
- There are no longer separate tests for higher attaining pupils, but they might expect a scaled score of closer to 120 which would indicate the pupil is working above the expected standard.

A score of 100 represents a 'PASS' and identified that a child is working within their age related expectations.

A between 80 and 99 represents a 'FAIL'.

> A score of 110 or above represents a 'PASS at GREATER DEPTH'.



The Tests



- Statutory tests will be administered in the following subjects:
  - Reading (60 minutes)
  - Spelling (approximately 15 minutes)
  - o Punctuation, Vocabulary and Grammar (45 minutes)
  - Mathematics

Paper 1: Arithmetic (30 minutes)

Paper 2: Reasoning (40 minutes)

Paper 3: Reasoning (40 minutes)

- All tests are externally marked
- Writing will be 'Teacher Assessed' internally, as in recent years

Example End of Key Stage 2 Writing

Working Towards the National Standard

Example: Description

Piece H: Description

On the Blue Sofire water was a colossal Ship culled the Titunic It had distinctively 1st and 3rd Class. Wealthy people smiled at their peautiful and expensive accomodation while the poor threw their bugs on their burk bed all Squashed.

(ne you look up you would see the gigontic, elegant towers touching the white coulds in the blue sky, While you look down on the fkors and look on the walls and chairs you could see a Sparkly clear reflection of yourself. It was so clean you could kiss the floor. Expensive clothes and jewelling (which were name brands) were brought to them by well spoken ladies and gentelmen scralling in the deck. The Smartly dressed caption wore a blue blazer with golden butters and bye Trousers with a plain black and blue hat. His name was captin Smith, he looked impecable! On the other side there were the ones, who were not so lucky so they Slept in Ordinary bedrooms and they had their meak in the cantine. However they enjoyed themselfes and had time to dream about their future in a new country.

#### Example End of Key Stage 2 Writing: National Standard Example: Short Story Part 1

Piece A: Short story

Happy 13th Bithday Ana!" Anabeth's mother exclaned loudly, while handing Anabeth her birthday present. "Thanks run," she grimaced ;" but you really didn't have to get me anything !" "All, come on, I didn't." Suddenly, Ana tore off the blue and pink polka dot propping paper, and laughed. " Wow! Thankyou so much It's just what I worked !" She smilled at the Neon blue purps. "Ok... I'm going to go and try then on!" She got up and ulated out of the found. "Oh... Wait clear, there's another present!" The excited mother uses holding a rectangular box wrapped in brown, crusty paper. Ana stand at the present with sodness. She knew what it was. She knew that as soon as she opened it, she Nould weep. "Unn... th," She Gried, "I always tried to genget about that!" Her mother, now unimpering, placed it gently in Anabeth's cold peach hands. "It's or," she said sighing," you don't have to open it." Ana's mother stroked her doughter on the back.

"No," And mummed, While letting her tears gall like raindrops." I'll open it." She tore off the mud contored wropping paper and gell to her kneed. "Dad..." A nabelly cried.

Suddenly, everything started to shake everything started to disappear, everything was gone, exactly, gone. Soon, it was just Anabeth and the photograph of her family; darkness...

"Mun?" she asked with benuildemust. "Mun? Where am I?"

All of a sudden, Ana gell, and gell, and gell. Then, landed on a mossy surgace. The light found itself again. But she was not in her stark living room, like she was seconds ago. Anabeth sound hersely lying on a battlegield.

Slowly, she got up with togetement in her oges, and gear in her eyes. She looked around, and noticed a signe; a tall signe; with dark hair and orean blue eyes, just like hers. Soon aster, there uses 5 more signer, 10, 11-thousands...She turned around with sear and legs ready to non; but she couldn't non, she was planted in senteng mud: mixed with searlet blood. Before she knew it, there were millions of injured and bloodied solders hying on the mudely gloor ground...

"Ahhhhhahh!" She screened with cright and tried to nove her get, but they wouldn't budge. She needed to get at, she needed to ge?! But how? Suddenly, she renembered the photo, maybe that was the way back; back to home; back to mucher wrother. She started to search around her, but she could just not find the picture, it was gone. She Anabeth, aloned her clear tears gall greeky down her cheeks. And knew it, this was the end... "He...hello?" She heard a voice, a voice gonihior. "Hello?" She cried "is anyone there?" Ana looked around with hope. "er"... look down "the voice whispoed. She perced down at the young Solder, with bagglement. The man had brown hair and ocean blue eyes... "Dad?"

"Venen?" He questioned, "Do I know yon?" "Yes. Unn...Cone on, we need to get you to a hospital." "Please?" Anabeth stand took a glance at the solders shot-gun Usund, and problem..." She numbed, "I'r stuck." "Only one problem..." She numbed, "I'r stuck." "oh." With all his power, he pulled; and pulled and grantly... POP. "Thank you. Now come on." They hobbaded and linged to the rearby hospital.

Anabeth sat nost to her injured gather. thinking about the picture and where it would be. All of a sudden, her kness buckled and she get like she was kenning goward She blacked out...

"Dear? Dear?" Ana noticed that voice, and to her's relieg. "Mum?" She a monged to open her eyes, "Mum?" She threen horsely at her mother. ""You've been asleep for hows!" "I had the most cracyest dream! "She noticed that she was back in the same old living room; and broth a huge sigh of relief. "Your gabher and I have been worked such!" She peered at her mother. "Wait what?" she asked, purched," dad's dead, dad's gone!" "Oh, don't be so silly!" her mather langhed slow gather's upsteirs!" She had to see this for herself; She arept upstairs and opend the Green wooden door...

#### Example End of Key Stage 2 Writing: National Standard Example: Short Story Part 2

#### The Applause

I am in the dressing room with the music ringing in my ears; the small room is bustling with tall skinny girls chattering and gigging. But - but all I can think of is the stage and the applause. My racing heart thuds underneath my silky tutu. Thud. Thud.

Then suddenly the stage director is at the door, calling my name. My name. My stomach gives an unexpected flutter and I take a deep breath. As the stage door swings open, I tell myself everything will be okay-nothing could possibly go wrong. I have been training for this since the age of three. Tall Bulky men with headsets and clipboards keep ushering me in the right direction. Half of me wants to run onto stage and dance my heart out but there is also a part of me that wants to go and hide away. Adreneline was circling its way

#### Working Beyond the National Standard

#### Example: Description

around my body and rushing into my fingertips.

Walking into the wings is like waiting for your death. Although I was extremely excited, I was even more nervous. I stopped a few centimetres from the stage entrance with the whole quer de ballet behind me and slowly took a shaky, deep breath. The stage was like a lit up arena waiting to be danced on The Crowd, which seemed to consist of about a million people, erupted as I walked on to stage. I gave a little smile, and began to dance.



The Reading Test



- The test assesses whether pupils' comprehension of age appropriate texts meets the National Standard. There will be numerous questions on inference, vocabulary and authorial choice.
- Pupils will have 60 minutes to complete the test, including reading the texts and writing the answers.
- The test will have three different texts to read, drawing on fiction, non-fiction or poetry.
- Questions are focused around the following areas (called 'content domains'):
  - give/explain the meaning of words in context
  - retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction
  - summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph
  - make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text
  - predict what might happen from details stated and implied
  - identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole
  - identify/explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases
  - make comparisons within the text
- There are a range of answer types, including multiple choice, short one-word answers and longer answers that require a written paragraph.

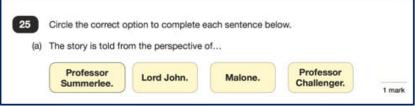
### The Reading Test Example questions

9	Look at Anousheh's blog entry for September 27th. Explain how Anousheh felt about being in space that day.	_		
	2 <u></u>	_	•	Using information from the text, statement is a <b>fact</b> or an <b>opinior</b>
		2 marks		Anousheh Ansari kept an on
				Brushing your teeth in space
				Being weightless is endlessly
18 0	Gentle, and small, and frail			Tourists can stay on the Inter Space Station.
F	low do these words make the reader feel about the snail?			
-		1 mark	_	
			<b>25</b>	Circle the correct option to comp ) The story is told from the perspe

Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is a **fact** or an **opinion**.

	Fact	Opinion
Anousheh Ansari kept an online diary.		
Brushing your teeth in space is a joy.		
Being weightless is endlessly entertaining.		
Tourists can stay on the International Space Station.		

1 mark







- There are two tests: a short spelling test and a longer paper testing grammar, punctuation and vocabulary.
- The spelling test lasts approximately 15 minutes and pupils will need to spell words in context by filling in the gaps in sentences.
- The grammar, punctuation and vocabulary test lasts for 45 minutes.
- Pupils need a good working knowledge of technical vocabulary used to describe grammatical terms and punctuation marks.
- Questions in the grammar test are focused around the following areas (called 'content domains'): - Grammatical terms/word classes
  - Functions of sentences
  - Combining words, phrases and clauses
  - Verb forms, tenses and consistency
  - Punctuation
  - Vocabulary
  - Standard English and formality
- There are a range of answer types in the grammar test, including multiple choice and short oneword answers, but there will not be any long written answers required

### The GPS Tests Example questions

	The table which is made of oak is now black with age.	1 mark	14	Tick the option that shows how the underlined words are used in the sentence.	
				My baby brother was born in the hospital <u>where my father works</u> . Tick <b>one</b> . as a preposition phrase	
16	What is the name of the <b>punctuation mark</b> used between the two main clauses below?		_	as a main clause	1
	My sister loves team sports; my brother, on the other hand, prefers individual sports – such as athletics.	1 mark			
_			18	Insert a colon in the correct place in the sentence below.	
				The series ended three endes for its papils art and erait,	

Tick one box in each row to show if the underlined conjunction is a **subordinating conjunction** or a **co-ordinating conjunction**.

Sentence	Subordinating conjunction	Co-ordinating conjunction
I like ice-skating and roller-skating.		
Jamie likes roller-skating, <u>but</u> he has never tried ice-skating.		
Jamie will go ice-skating <u>if</u> I go with him.		

1 mark



Underline the **verb form** that is in the **present perfect** in the passage below.

Rachel loves music and has wanted to learn how to play the piano for

years. She was hoping for piano lessons, and was delighted when her

parents gave her a keyboard for her birthday.

1 mark



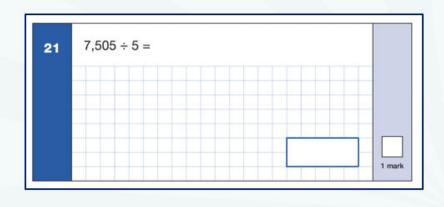
The Maths Tests

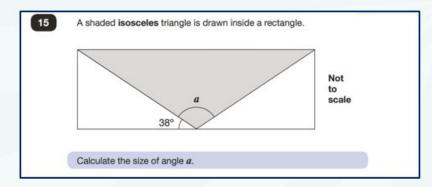


- There are three tests: one arithmetic paper and two reasoning papers.
- Paper 1 (arithmetic) lasts 30 minutes and assesses pupils' confidence using methods of calculation as well as fractions, decimals and percentages. It covers curriculum content from all of KS2.
- Papers 2 & 3 (reasoning) last 40 minutes each and focus on problem solving, fluency and applying mathematical reasoning.
- Questions cover the following areas (called 'content domains'):
  - Number and place value
  - Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division (calculations)
  - Geometry properties of shapes
  - Geometry position and direction
  - Statistics
  - Measurement
  - Algebra
  - Ratio and proportion
  - Fractions, decimals and percentages.
- Questions will increase in difficulty as the paper progresses and not all children will complete the papers.

## The Maths Tests

#### **Example questions**



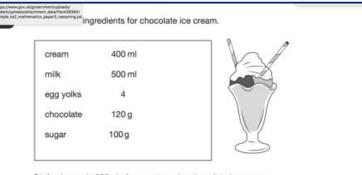




The area of a rugby pitch is 6,108 square metres.

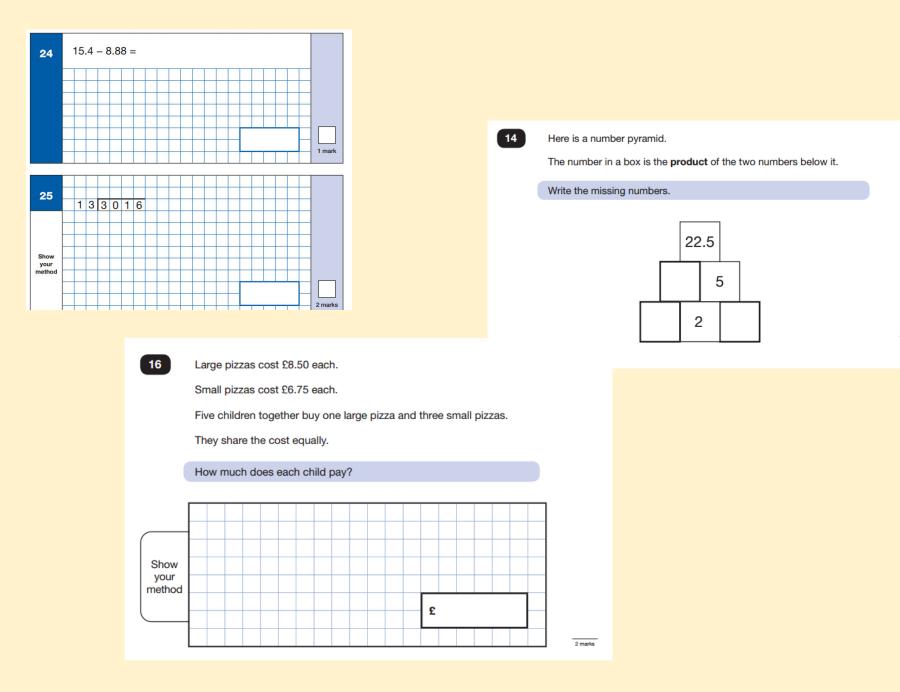
A football pitch measures 112 metres long and 82 metres wide.

How much larger is the area of the football pitch than the area of the rugby pitch?



Stefan has only 300ml of cream to make chocolate ice cream.

How much chocolate should he use?



2 marks

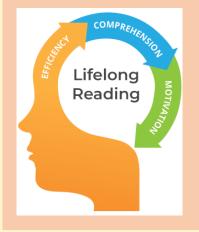


How to Help Your Child



- First and foremost, support and reassure your child that there is nothing to worry about and they should always just try their best. Praise and encourage!
- Ensure your child has the best possible attendance at school.
- Support your child with any homework tasks.
- Reading, spelling and arithmetic (e.g. times tables) are always good to practise.
- Talk to your child about what they have covered at school and what book(s) they are reading (the character, the plot, their opinion).
- Make sure your child has a good sleep and healthy breakfast every morning!
- <u>Please speak to a member of staff if you have questions or concerns.</u>





Reading is the most important thing we can do in order to make our children lifelong learners; we ask that every child completes <u>3 x 30 minute</u> Reading Plus activities at home per week.

Please help and support your child but please don't do it for them.

Mathletics is a programme aimed at develop fluency and problem solving in mathematicsindividual tasks (practice questions and application 'quests') may be set on an individual basis.

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# **Any questions?**



Please email Mrs Ridley on <u>hhtyear6@hpoolholytrinity.org.uk</u>

Thank you for your continued support.