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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Year 2 Non-statutory Assessments – SATs

We write to inform you about the KS1 SATs your child will be taking part in, week commencing the 24<sup>th</sup> June. These assessments are optional for schools this year, however, as a Trust it has been decided that they will still take place.

At St Francis of Assisi, we are making sure that the children do not feel nervous about these assessments as they are only a small part of their learning journey in Year 2. The children have been practicing getting used to sitting an assessment over the past few weeks and have been working as a whole class to go through some past papers so they are more confident in taking part in the assessments. The KS1 SATs are not strictly timed and teachers can also use their judgement to give pupils breaks during the tests.

To ensure the children are well prepared, there will be a slight change in their homework over the next few weeks: a mixture of English and Mathematics practise SATs questions will be sent. Please find some time to ensure that this learning is being completed at home as it will greatly benefit your child's progress and achievement.

Please find some further information about the assessments below:

### KS1 ENGLISH PAPERS

There are **two reading papers** for KS1 pupils to complete, and **two spelling, punctuation and grammar tests**.

The first reading paper asks children to complete a mixture of short answer and multiple-choice questions about short stories/texts. The test is not timed but should take about 30 minutes to complete.

The second reading paper asks children to read a booklet that has three extracts. The questions are a mixture of multiple choice and short-answer questions. The test is not timed but should take about 40 minutes to complete.

### KS1 MATHEMATICS PAPERS

Paper one is a set of **arithmetic** questions. The test is not timed but should last for 20 minutes.

Paper two is on **mathematical reasoning**. The test is not timed but should last for 35 minutes.

If you have any questions about the above information, please do not hesitate to get in touch, either on the door at the beginning or end of the day, or on the following email: [year2@bsf-leeds.co.uk](mailto:year2@bsf-leeds.co.uk)

Yours sincerely,

Miss Durkan

(Year 2 teacher)