

The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School



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SATS Week 12th – 15th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to remind you that the Year 6 SATs will be taking place next week. These assessments are an important part of your child's primary education, and we appreciate your continued support in helping them feel prepared and confident.

To help the children start each day in a calm and positive way, we encourage them to arrive at school for **8:00 am**. They can come straight into the hall to enjoy a shared breakfast with their friends, kindly provided by the PTA.

Below is a reminder of the test schedule:

- **Monday, 12th May:** English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (Papers 1 and 2)
- **Tuesday, 13th May:** English Reading
- **Wednesday, 14th May:** Mathematics (Papers 1 and 2)
- **Thursday, 15th May:** Mathematics (Paper 3)

Please ensure your child gets plenty of rest each night and arrives at school on time each day. A calm morning and a healthy breakfast can make a big difference.

As we approach this important week, we would like to share a special message, reminding our children of their true worth and the strength they carry with them each day:

“You Are More Than a Test”

Dear children, so full of light and grace,
With courage shining on your face—
These tests ahead may seem quite tough,
But know you are already enough.

You've read, you've written, you've worked so hard,
You've played your part and prayed with heart.
But more than sums and spelling true,
God sees the beautiful gift in you.



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For in each word, each thought you write,
He walks beside you, day and night.
With every question that you read,
Ask Him gently: "Guide me, please."

Remember this as you do your best:
God never measures you by a test.
Your kindness, joy, and how you care—
These are the treasures you truly bear.

So walk in with hope, your heads held high,
With angels cheering from the sky.
And when it's done, no matter the score,
God's love will hold you—forevermore.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

God Bless,

Mrs Carmel Dodds

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