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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware all children at the end of Key Stage 1 will be required to complete National curriculum tests over the next two weeks. We are planning to administer these assessments from the 14-25 May 2018 and request that all Year 2 children to be in school during this period. The results from the National Curriculum tests are used to confirm teacher assessment. Teacher assessment is based upon your child's performance as a whole over the course of the year, it is not just about the results from the formal assessments taking place over the two week period, these are used to support Teacher assessment judgments.

This year children in Year 2 will be required to complete the following formal assessments:

- * Paper 1 - Reading comprehension consists of text with questions interspersed.
- * Paper 2 - Reading comprehension consists of separate reading and answer booklet.
- * Paper 1 - Arithmetic paper
- * Paper 2 - Reasoning paper (Problem solving)
- * Grammar, spelling and punctuation paper (this is non-statutory and will be administered in June).

The children have been given opportunities to become familiar with these type of assessment materials and procedures throughout the course of the year. We do not wish to make this a stressful time for the children and do not wish for any of them to become anxious or worried about these upcoming assessments. We are therefore administering these tests over the course of 2 weeks. Children will be taken with myself to work in small groups to complete the assessments. As children will be accessing these assessments in groups and at different times we would ask that they do not discuss content from the paper with your child and that children do not discuss content with any of their fellow peers until the 1 June 2018.

Please find attached further information regarding formal assessment in Key Stage 1 published by the Department for Education.

Should you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to make an appointment to see me.

Yours sincerely

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Y2 Class Teacher

Mrs Adams
Head Teacher

