

Welcome to the Year 2 National Curriculum Assessments Meeting

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What are National Curriculum Assessments?

 Statutory Assessment Tasks and Tests including ongoing
 Teacher Assessment.

Taken at the end of Key Stage 1
 (at age 7) and at the end of
 Key Stage 2 (at age 11).

NCAs: What are they?

We hope today will help you to understand the process of the National Curriculum Assessment Tests (NCAs).

Assessments are made on children throughout their school life and NCAs should be seen as part of this ongoing process and not something too much out of the ordinary.



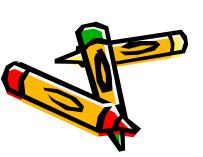
NCAs: What do they test?

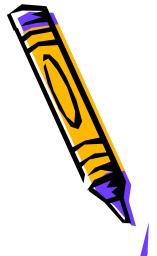
The tests assess a child's knowledge and understanding in;

- Reading
- Maths
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar

How are these different from previous SATs?

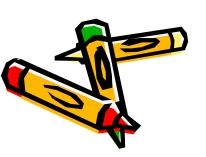
There is no writing paper. Writing is assessed from the children's books by teacher assessment. There are two papers for maths; Paper 1: Arithmetic, Paper 2: Problem solving and reasoning. SPaG test was new last year.





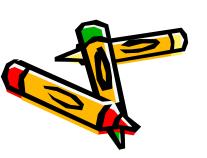
NCAs: When do they happen?

- Key Stage One NCAs are carried out in Year Two, when children are aged 7 or are in their seventh year.
- The NCAs tests take place nationally in all schools in the month of May. It is very important that your child is in school during this month so please don't book holidays etc. during May. Thank you



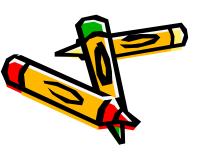
NCAs: Where do they happen?

- These assessments will take place in the classroom.
- They are either whole class tests or they will be carried out in small groups.
- We aim to keep the school day as normal and stress free as possible.



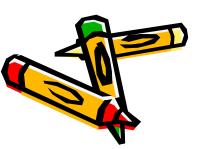
NCAs: How are they marked?

- They are marked by the class teacher, and a selection of Writing is taken for moderation with other schools.
- The tests support Teacher assessment of the child's ability.
- The results are then sent out to parents attached to the child's End of Year Report in July.



Reporting Attainment

- Attainment will be reported as either;
- Meeting the expected National Standard for Key Stage 1
- Working towards the expected National Standard
- Working at greater depth than the expected National Standard.
- This phraseology is used for the statutory reporting of attainment. In school, reporting uses a different language such as; emerging, expected and exceeding.



NCAs: Reading Test

There are 2 reading comprehension assessments

- One is reading short passages from a story or information texts. They then answer comprehension questions after each section.
- The second is reading a longer story and then an information text. The children then answer comprehension questions in a separate booklet, keeping the text to refer to.



NCAs: Reading Test

 Questions are designed to assess the comprehension and understanding of a child's reading.

 Some questions are multiple choice or selected response, others require short answers and some require an extended response or explanation.



SAMPLE READING TEST QUESTIONS



Reading Test 2 will have a more challenging separate reading booklet and reading answer booklet.

The Blackbird and his Wife

Once upon a time there lived a blackbird and his wife.

They sang so sweetly that everyone passing beneath the tree would stop and listen. It was the most beautiful music; it was as though gold and silver rain were falling into your ears.

One day the king was passing and he heard the two birds singing. He said to his servants, "Catch those birds! I will keep them in a silver cage and they will sing to me." So the servants set a trap, but they only caught one of the birds: the blackbird's wife. They put her into a silver cage and

Questions 1 – 8 are about
The Blackbird and his Wife (pages 4 – 7)

Why did the king want to have the blackbirds?

Why was the blackbird's wife sad? (page 4)

(page 4)

What instrument did the blackbird play on the way to (page 4) the palace?

How can I help at home?

Reading

Listen to your child read at home.

Share books with your child with you reading to them.

Discuss the stories you read. Ask questions about the story or information book. Do they understand what they have just read?

Ask them to find an answer in the text.

Buster's Book Challenge.

Write book reviews.





NCAs: SPaG Test

- · A Spelling test is administered.
- A separate test is given on Punctuation, Vocabulary and Grammar.
- This test requires short answer questions, including some multiple choice.
- Marks for these two tests are added together to give a total for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.



NEW SPaG TEST

Emphasis is placed on the technical aspects of grammar and there is a separate spelling test. There are no pictures in the SPaG test papers.

Tick the correct word to complete the I hope we will play m Tick one.			Tick to show whether each sentence is present tense. Sentence Becky was thinking. I am reading my book.	Past tense or the Present tense Present tense
whenif	7 What type of word is The brave mouse ma			
that	Tick c		on.	
because	an adjective		Tick the sentence that is a statem e	ent. Tick one .
	a verb		What an interesting painting!	
	a noun		Can you collect the crayons, please	9?
			James washed the paintbrushes.	
children will be asked to tick correct answers and will be expected to understand how to use tables.			Check that your tables are clean.	

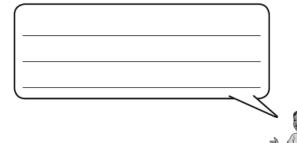
English Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

12 Circle the **verbs** in the sentence below.

Yesterday was the school sports day and Jo wore her new running shoes.

Joe wanted to buy a present. He asked his mum if Gran would like flowers.

Write Joe's question to his mum in the speech bubble. Remember to use correct punctuation.

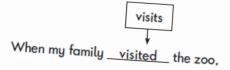


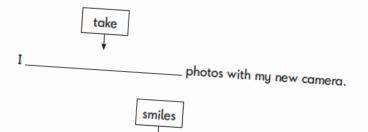
They will also be asked to circle, insert and write correct answers.

The verbs in boxes are in the present tense.

Write these verbs in the **past tense**.

One has been done for you.





My brother _____ for his picture.

How can I help at home?

Writing and SPaG

Help your child learn their spellings.

Write their own stories or sentences using words from the word list.

Tell their own stories.

When reading identify punctuation and grammar that are within your child's SPaG belt.

Find interesting words in books, newspapers and make word banks.

Find the noun, verb, adjective or adverb in a sentence when reading.





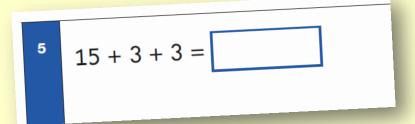
NCAs: Maths Test

- · Children will sit two tests:
- Paper 1 Arithmetic test
- Paper 2 Problem solving and reasoning
- Paper 1 is for arithmetic, covering calculation methods for all four operations.

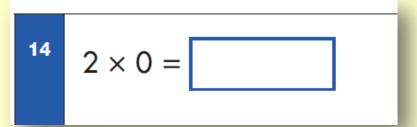
Questions gradually increase in difficulty. Not all children will be expected to access some of the more difficult questions later in the paper.

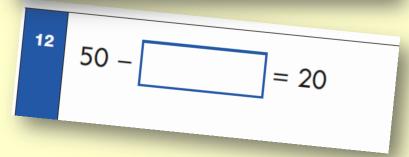


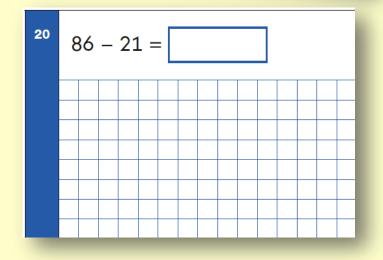
SAMPLE MATHS TEST QUESTIONS - ARITHMETIC



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 of 30 =







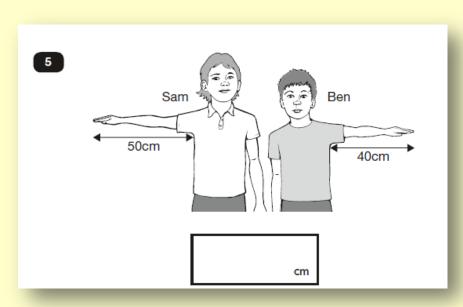
NCAs: Maths Test

· Paper 2 covers 'Problem Solving and Reasoning'

There are two parts to the Maths paper 2. The
first part is a set of oral questions. The second
part consists of written questions, any of
which can be read to the children. Pupils will
use calculation skills to answer questions in
context and decide what is required to find a
solution.



SAMPLE MATHS TEST QUESTIONS - REASONING

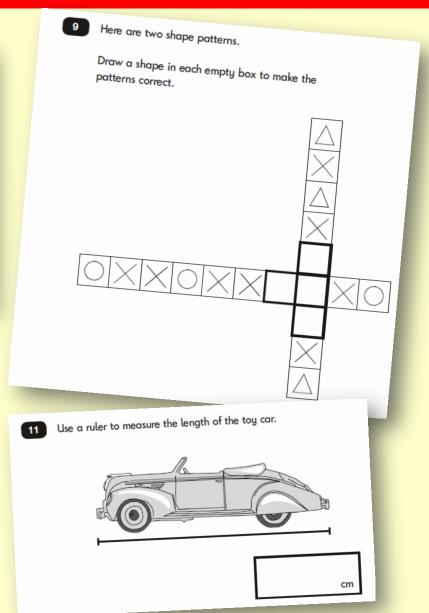


Some questions are read by the teacher.

Look at the picture of Sam and Ben in question 5.

Sam's arm is fifty centimetres long. Ben's arm is forty centimetres long. How much longer is Sam's arm than Ben's arm?

Write your answer in the box.



How can I help at home?

Maths

Practise, practise, practise...

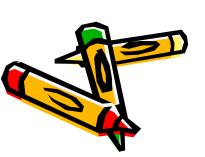
Counting forward and backwards

Number bonds to 10, 20 and a 100 (6+4=10)

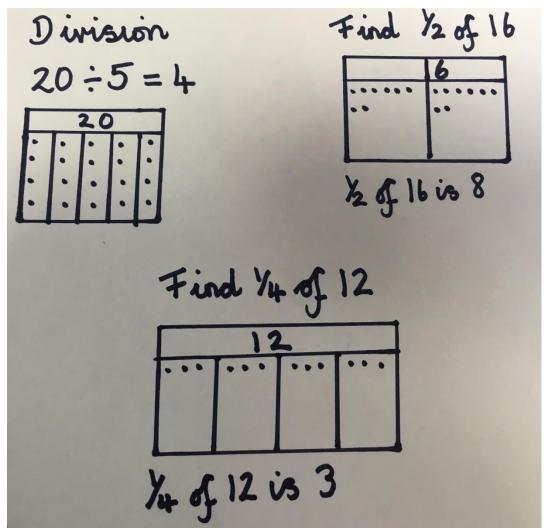
2s, 5s and 10s times tables

Quick fire additions and subtractions (3+4, 8-2, 32+15, 22-18)

Use the bar model for division and fractions questions.



Bar Model







NCAs: "What can I do at home to help?"

- Keep home life during the months of April and May normal and stress free.
- Allow children to get a good night's sleep each night.
- Provide a healthy breakfast and a drink each morning.
- Arrive in school at 8.40am learning starts early!
- Provide a bottle of water for the children to have at school.
 - Do not apply added pressure or worry to your child. They will do their best!

