



KS2 SATs Timetable

Monday 9 th May	Reading Paper, 1 hour
Tuesday 10 th May	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar, Paper 1, 45minutes Spelling Paper, about 15 minutes, not timed
Wednesday 11 th May	Arithmetic Paper, 30 minutes Maths Reasoning Paper 1, 45 minutes
Thursday 12 th May	Maths Reasoning Paper 2, 45 minutes
Friday 13 th May	No tests

Key Stage 1 SATs will be taking place throughout May, these are more informal and will take place in normal lesson times. Children will sit 2 reading papers and 2 maths papers. News released today has said that there will be no requirement to sit the spelling, punctuation and grammar paper this year. Nearer the time we will let you know more about the exact timings.

Any child sitting SATs this year is inevitably going to feel some pressure to perform to the best of their abilities. It is always our intention to minimise the pressures they feel whilst giving them every support and encouragement to achieve their potential. Our ethos at Old Dalby has always been to support and develop the whole child and it is always important at this time of year to keep these tests in perspective. They cannot, and never will, judge anyone's thoughtfulness, generosity, courage, loyalty, humility, charity and all the other qualities we hold to be just as important in the development of someone's character. As I am sure you are all aware, this year has seen a huge amount of turmoil in the education sector about the standards and outcomes of these tests and it can be easy to let this dominate our view of this term or even of school in general. Whilst being important, they are only a small part of their primary school experience.

As yet it is unclear exactly how the outcomes will be evaluated and exactly where the benchmark standard for each year group will be. We do know that children will come out with descriptors of:

- Working below the expected year group standard.
- Working towards the expected standard.
- Working at the expected standard.
- Working at greater depth within the expected standard.

Other News

FOODS AGM Friday 6th May 3:30pm in school. Everyone welcome!

The Big Cycle

- Get ready for next week - the Big Cycle hits Old Dalby School!
- Key Stage 1 pupils - come to school on your bike or scooter
- Key Stage 2 pupils - get ready for a spin bike taster and competition!
- Parents - Competition time - sign up in reception from Friday for your slot to see who can pedal the furthest - Prizes will be awarded!!

Dates for your Diary

25th to 29th April - Big Cycle

2nd May - Bank Holiday

9th May - SATs Week

26th May - Class 2 Assembly

Friday 27th May to Friday 3rd June - Half Term

6th June - School Opens

17th June - Class 1 Assembly

22nd June - Race for Life

15th July - School Closes

Netball League

Long Field Academy is holding a netball league for years 4 to 6 on Tuesday 17th and 24th May from 3.40pm to 5.00 pm. Transport is not provided. If your child is interested in playing and you can take them to and from Long Field, please complete the slip below



Netball League
Long Field Academy
Tuesday 17th and 24th May 2016

Name: _____ is interested in taking part in the netball league at Long Field Academy. I can transport them to and from the venue.

Signed: _____ the person with legal responsibility for the young person.