May 2nd 2019

Dear parents and carers,

As you are aware, all Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 children will sit the Welsh Government’s statutory Literacy and Numeracy tests between May 7th and May 14th. These are tests that all children in Wales in Years 2-9 have to do. They will enable teachers to assess the children’s literacy and numeracy skills as well as help them to plan the next steps to further develop the skills.

You will receive your child’s results for the Literacy and Numeracy Reasoning tests as soon as the school receives them before the end of the term. From Year 3 onwards, the result sheet will also show how they have progressed from year to year.

Here is some information about the tests:

* The tests will be administered in way that is as comfortable as possible for the children.
* These are not SATs tests. SATs have not been used in Wales for a number of years and by now are only used in schools in England.
* Please do not put any pressure on your child / children regarding the tests. They are a 30-45 minute snapshot; a very small part of the whole picture of a child.
* For pupils in Year 2, the tests aren’t used to decide which Outcome they are given at the end of the year. They can be used as a piece of evidence, but the teachers will look at the whole child and his / her work while deciding on the Outcomes.
* The Procedural Numeracy Test has change to be an online assessment that will be administered between now and the end of the year. The other three tests will also change to be online assessments over the next three years.

Below is a timetable noting when the children will be completing the tests.

If you have any questions about any of the above, please contact the school.

Thank you,

Osian Jones

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|  | **Welsh Reading** | **English Reading** | **Numeracy Reasoning** |
| **Year 2** | May 8th 10:30 |  | May 13th 10:30 |
| **Year 3** | May 8th 10:30 | May 9th 10:30 | May 13th 10:30 |
| **Year 4** | May 7th 10:30 | May 9th 10:30 | May 13th 10:30 |
| **Year 5** | May 7th 10:30 | May 9th 10:30 | May 13th 10:30 |