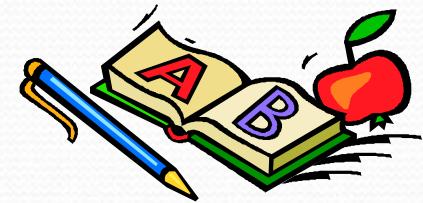


# **The Willows Primary School**

**Information Evening  
Key Stage 2 SATs  
and  
Robinwood**

# How are the children assessed?

- Children are assessed against Year group objectives for Year 6:
- This is carried out in 2 ways:



- A) Teacher assessments
- B) Tests

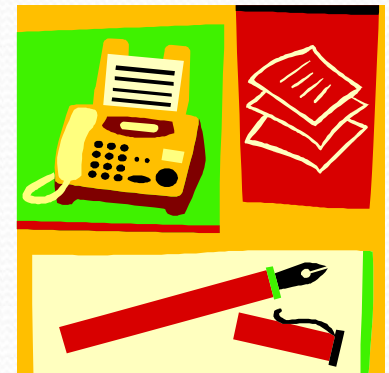
## What does teacher assessment involve and is it different from testing?

- Teacher assessment draws together everything the teacher or teachers know about a child, including normal class lessons, observations, marked work and school assessments.
- Teacher assessment is not a 'snapshot' like tests and is therefore more reliable.
- Due to the above, there can be a difference between teacher assessment and test results.

# Teacher Assessments:

## English

- Speaking and Listening
- Reading
- Writing



## Maths



## Science




# When do KS2 tests happen?

- This year the test dates will be from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016
- Please avoid taking your child out of school during this time and in the weeks leading up to the tests.
- This will be a busy week!



# Reading Comprehension

- This year the texts in the reading booklet will not be linked by a theme. The booklet will contain three or four different texts. The least demanding text will come first with the following texts increasing in level of difficulty
- Instead of being given 15 minutes reading time and 45 minutes to answer the questions, children will have a total of one hour to read the texts and complete the questions at their own pace.

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- The reading answer booklet will comprise of approximately 35 to 40 questions (totalling 50 marks). The questions are:
  - shorter, closed response items (such as multiple choice and matching questions)
  - shorter, open response items
  - longer, open response items that require children to explain and comment on the texts in order to demonstrate a full understanding.
  - Questions are worth 1, 2 or 3 marks.



# English grammar, punctuation and spelling

A statutory test of English grammar, punctuation and spelling was introduced for children at the end of Key Stage 2 from May 2013.

# Maths

- two **non-calculator reasoning** test papers, Paper 1 and Paper 2, each lasting 40 minutes
- **arithmetic** mathematics test, lasting 30 minutes
- Children's marks from all three tests are aggregated to calculate their overall mathematics raw score.
- Teachers may read questions in both written papers to pupils if asked.

# Science

*“Science sampling tests for children at the end of Key Stage 2 recommence in June this year, on a biennial basis.*

*“Only 5 children randomly selected from 1900 schools in England to take 3 science papers (25mins. each)*



# How is SATs week organised?

- A timetable is issued to school, telling us which days tests must be administered.
- We can determine at what time tests begin.
- All children must sit the tests at the same time.
- Tests are completed in classrooms, with any displays that may help covered over.
- The LA monitor 10% of schools per year.
- Children are divided into groups for test administration to ensure they are properly supported and feel secure.



## What help can children have?



- In the reading test, children must read the text and questions by themselves, but may have help recording their answers, if this is done in a normal classroom situation.
- In maths, teachers can read questions to any child who asks.
- Also in the GPS test, children can ask for questions read to them but nothing can be explained.

# How can parents help?

- The best help is by taking an interest in your child's learning and progress. Giving positive encouragement.
- Attending meetings and parents evenings.
- Supporting regular and thorough home learning.
- Fun websites: Mathletics/Bug Club/BBC Bitesize.
- Not putting children under too much pressure.
- Ensuring children arrive for tests:
  - in good time
  - with equipment – pen, water bottle, snack, etc.,
  - having had breakfast
  - having gone to bed at a reasonable time!



2012/2013 Test Timetables



# 2016 Test Timetable

9 <sup>th</sup> May	10 <sup>th</sup> May	11 <sup>th</sup> May	12 <sup>th</sup> May	16 <sup>th</sup> May
Reading Test 1 hour to read and answer at own pace	English grammar, punctuation and spelling test 45 mins./15mins.	Arithmetic Test 1 30 minutes	Maths Reasoning Test 3 No calculator 40 minutes	
		Maths Reasoning Test 2 No calculator 40 minutes		

# Reporting

Reading, GPS and maths tests are all externally marked.

Test results are returned to the school in July and will be reported, along with teacher assessments, to parents by the end of the year.

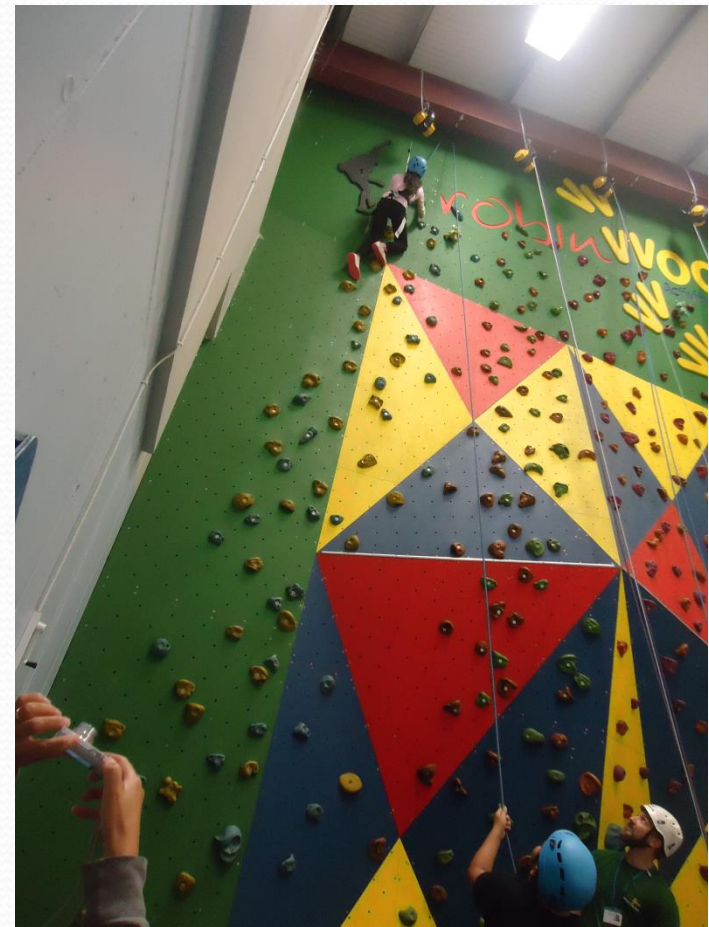
Children will receive a standardised score with the expected level being 100 – please see the ‘Assessment Information Evening’ powerpoint on the school’s website for more information.



# Any Questions?

- Sample papers for you view after the meeting
- Handout with basic information and tips can be taken home

# Robinwood – Barhaugh Hall





**Dates:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2016

**Venue:** Barhaugh Hall, Alston, Cumbria

**Adults:** Mr Byrne, Mrs Warren and Mrs Bell

**Groups:** 3 groups, each led by a member of Robinwood staff and supported by Willows adult.

(chosen by us for mixture of gender and characters!)

**Dorms:** Configuration depends on Robinwood allocation. Preferences given by children.

# Activities

- \*Archery
- \*Canoeing
- \*Caving
- \*Climbing
- \*Crate Challenge
- \*Dungeon of Doom
- \*Giant Swing
- \*Moorland Challenge
- \*Nightline
- \*Obstacle course
- \*Piranha Pool
- \*Quest
- \*Stream walk
- \*Team Challenge
- \*Trapeze
- \*Zip Wire



# Safety and Supervision

- 24 hour supervision – same team leader during day and night staff from bedtime to breakfast.
- Highly qualified staff – some activities will have an extra Robinwood member of staff supervising with specific qualifications e.g canoeing.
- Safety equipment provided and all safety checks completed before every activity.



# Food

- The children are active all the time so there is LOTS OF IT both at meal times and snack times.
- Plenty of water always available
- Children have a choice for every meal (apart from the first picnic lunch)
- All dietary requirements met



# Packing

- One small bag / case
- Clothing list supplied nearer the time
- OLD clothes
- All items frequently washed and tumbled dried
- Please NAME EVERYTHING (including underwear and socks!!)



# Money & Medicines

- All medication to be given to Mrs Warren clearly labelled with instructions
- Pocket money may be taken for tuck shop and souvenirs (price list available nearer the time)  
Named purse or wallet handed to Mrs Warren
- NO Valuables e.g cameras, phones, ipods etc...

# Any Questions?

- DVD available to borrow for adult viewing only!!
- Form filling to be completed nearer the time
- Clothing lists available nearer the time
- Suitcase labels available nearer the time