



Temple Meadow  
Primary School  
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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 2 pupils,

### Key Stage 1 SATs

As you may be aware, Year 2 pupils have previously undertaken Key Stage 1 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs). This year, it has been announced that these have now become optional for schools and therefore it is up to each individual school whether to participate in these or not.

At Temple Meadow, we have decided that we will **not** be participating in the optional KS1 SATs this academic year. We strongly feel that this is in the best interests of our pupils' mental health and well-being and instead, will be adopting a more informal testing approach to gather data to inform our end of Key Stage 1 teacher assessments. These are reported in pupils' end of year school reports.

To support pupils' transition to Year 3, we will be using previous KS1 test materials, alongside our internal assessment systems, to support our end of year judgements. Pupils will complete assessments during summer 2, when the full Year 2 curriculum has been delivered and embedded. These will be undertaken in a way that is appropriate to pupils' needs, such as in small groups, rather than under the strict testing conditions previously associated with KS1 SATs that we feel is highly unnecessary for pupils aged 6 and 7.

Should you have any questions, please speak with a member of the Year 2 team in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

**Miss Dale**  
**Deputy Headteacher & DSL**



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