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SAT's special edition!

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Headteacher's message:

The year 6 preliminary SATs results were published on Tuesday. Our pupils did exceptionally well and our results 'subject to validation' were well above the national statistics in every area. Year 6 pupils sit public examinations for Reading, Spelling and Grammar and Mathematics. In mathematics they are tested on their speed in answering arithmetic questions, their general understanding and their reasoning skills. In Reading they focus on 'in depth' comprehension skills, spelling always has sophisticated words. In Grammar pupils have to identify various features of writing and punctuation.



Our Chair of Governors Mr Howard Pallis said 'Yet again Simon Marks SATS results are extremely good. I thank Ms Metin. All her staff have done an amazing job to deliver great results for our pupils'

Ms Milner said 'The entire class have done themselves proud and it shows that their hard work really paid off. We are all so pleased with their achievements - well done Year 6!'

Ms Osborne said 'It has been a real pleasure watching pupils grow in confidence and ability. I am really proud of them'

Parent comments include:

'I'm delighted with the progress my daughter has made this year. She's had a fabulous time at Simon Marks, made fantastic friends and the final hurdle of SATs was

managed brilliantly by the school. Big mazeltov to all the children and staff!' Rachel Burns

'Despite the ups and downs over the years, the children have achieved truly great results in their SATs exams. They should take this well-earned sense of pride with them onwards as they embark on their next chapter. Mazal tov to them all!' Jennifer Heller

'I am very proud of how well my son has done. He is very proud and pleased' Sophie Jones.

Pupils comments include:

'I am really happy with how I did in my SATs and how highly I achieved in every one'.

'I was really shocked because I got a really high marks in maths and reading which I had worked really hard in.'

'I'm really impressed with the way I've improved because at the start of the year I would not dream of getting the scores that I achieved during my SATs.'

'I wasn't expecting to do so well and was shocked with my high grades. I am really proud of myself and can do anything I put my mind to'.



A huge thank you to the year 6 team, Ms Milner, Ms Libby and Ms Osborne who have worked tirelessly to make the SATs as enjoyable as they could possibly be.

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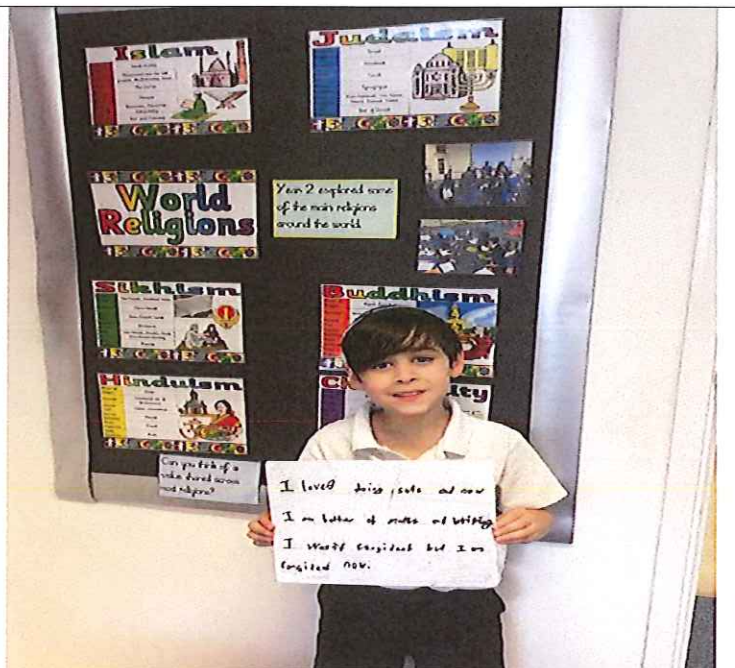
Year 6 pupils were not the only ones to have completed their SATs. Our younger pupils in year 2 also went through a similar process with fantastic outcomes. Ms Pinchover said, 'I am so impressed and proud of year 2 for putting in so much effort and believing in themselves.'



'Even when things are hard you will still find a way'



'I really appreciate all the help I was given, I am much more confident with tests now'



I loved doing the SAT's and now I am better at maths and writing. I wasn't confident but I am confident now'

All pupils have made fantastic progress this year (as I am sure you will hear at parents evening!) We have a skills based National Curriculum in place and pupils have a voice in leading their learning. Our aim is to always make the curriculum exciting and fun, our children should always have a sense of awe and wonder, motivated children make fantastic learners.

All staff have worked exceptionally hard this year, they have embraced the skills based curriculum introduced in September, applied a new assessment system and made a real difference to the learning of our children. I am proud of all of you.

And finally- a huge thank you to all parents and carers for giving us the privilege of working with your amazing children. Children are what make a school what it is.

We will return to a regular newsletter next week!