

Year 6 SATs and
Robinwood Information
Meeting
2025-26



When are the **official SATs**?

- The official SATs take place over four days, starting on **Monday 11th May** ending on **Thursday 14th May 2026**.
- The SATs papers consist of:
 - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 1: Grammar/ Punctuation/ Spelling) – Monday 11th May
 - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 2: Spelling test) – Monday 11th May
 - Reading – Tuesday 12th May
 - Maths (paper 1: Arithmetic) – Wednesday 13th May
 - Maths (paper 2: Reasoning) – Wednesday 13th May
 - Maths (paper 3: Reasoning) – Thursday 14th May



When and how the SATs are completed

- The tests take place during normal school hours, under exam conditions.
- Children are not allowed to talk to each other from the moment the assessments are handed out until they are collected at the end of the test.

- Each test lasts no longer than 60 minutes (unless certain children qualify for additional time):
 - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 1: Grammar/ Punctuation) – 45 minutes
 - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (paper 2: Spelling) – 15 minutes
 - Reading – 60 minutes
 - Maths (paper 1: Arithmetic) – 30 minutes
 - Maths (paper 2: Reasoning) – 40 minutes
 - Maths (paper 3: Reasoning) – 40 minutes



Specific arrangements for SATs

Children with additional needs (who have similar support as part of day-to-day learning in school) may be allotted specific arrangements.

For us – these children are eligible for 25% additional time **on all papers.**

We complete the tests within classrooms, the hall and intervention rooms so that the children are familiar with their surroundings, to avoid any unnecessary upset. The adults that will be with the children throughout their tests will be the teachers and teaching assistants that they are all familiar with and see on a daily basis, again to put the children at ease.



Breakfast Club

- During the week of SATs, school will provide breakfast for all Y6 children so that they can be in school by 8am.
- **There will be no charge to parents.** In past years, this has been a successful event and it provides the children with the opportunity to see their friends and eat a well-balanced breakfast before embarking on their day. It also gives school the peace of mind that all children are in on time and ready to start their test at the official 9am start time! Children can come to school from 8am for the Breakfast Club. The menu will be a buffet style breakfast on each day, with the following items available to all pupils:
 - Fruit juice
 - Range of fruit
 - Range of Breakfast Cereals
 - Hot buttered toast
 - Choice of either a bacon or a sausage roll (this will be pre-ordered for the week via an order form that will go home with the children - **orders must be submitted before Friday 1st May**)
 - To avoid inconvenience for parents, siblings of our Y6 pupils will be welcome to attend Cool Cats from 8am free of charge for these 4 days too.

Attendance during SATs week

- **ALL** children must be in school this week; any absence must be reported to school as early as possible so that we can together consider any possible solutions. Staff will be around to answer the telephone from 7am. Please avoid any unnecessary absences.



Assessment - Results

- Children's raw scores are converted to a scaled score. This is to ensure that the DfE can make accurate comparisons of performance over time.
- Scaled scores are between 80 – 120 for all subjects
- Pupils scoring at least 100 will have met the expected standard on the test.
- A pupil awarded a scaled score of 99 or less has not met the expected standard in the test.
- Any pupils who score 110 or more are judged to be working beyond the expected standard (Greater Depth)
- Results will be available to parents with end of Year Reports



Preparation between now and May

Fluency

- The ability to read text accurately and quickly.
- In order to be able to read through the amount of reading required in SATs, the recommended reading speed is 130wpm – most children in Year 6 in our school are currently reading below this pace.

In Class

- Practice papers weekly – Once marked and analysed, these can be sent home
- Looking at specific question types and how to answer them

Supporting at home

- Reading with children – asking questions about the book (there are some reading
- Maths booklet
- SPAG booklet
- Spelling practice



Friday 22nd May –
Sunday 24th May 2026

Children can arrive at normal time, however, if parents would prefer to drive up to school with their luggage then they can arrive at 9am. When the children are in school, we will assign groups, share important information with children and label suitcases before we depart from school at 9.30am

We expect to return on Sunday at approx. 2.30pm – at St Joseph's Church



Staff from school going

- Mr Parsonage
- Mr Riley
- Mr Callaghan
- Mr Cunningham
- Mrs Tomkins
- Mr Schilling (Saturday)



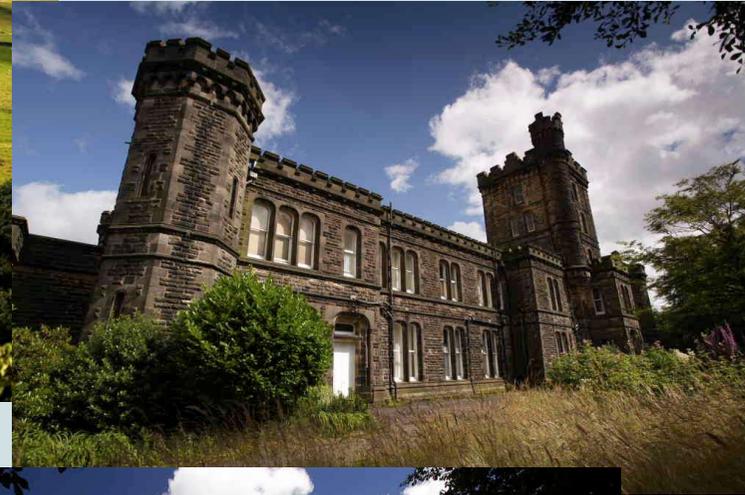


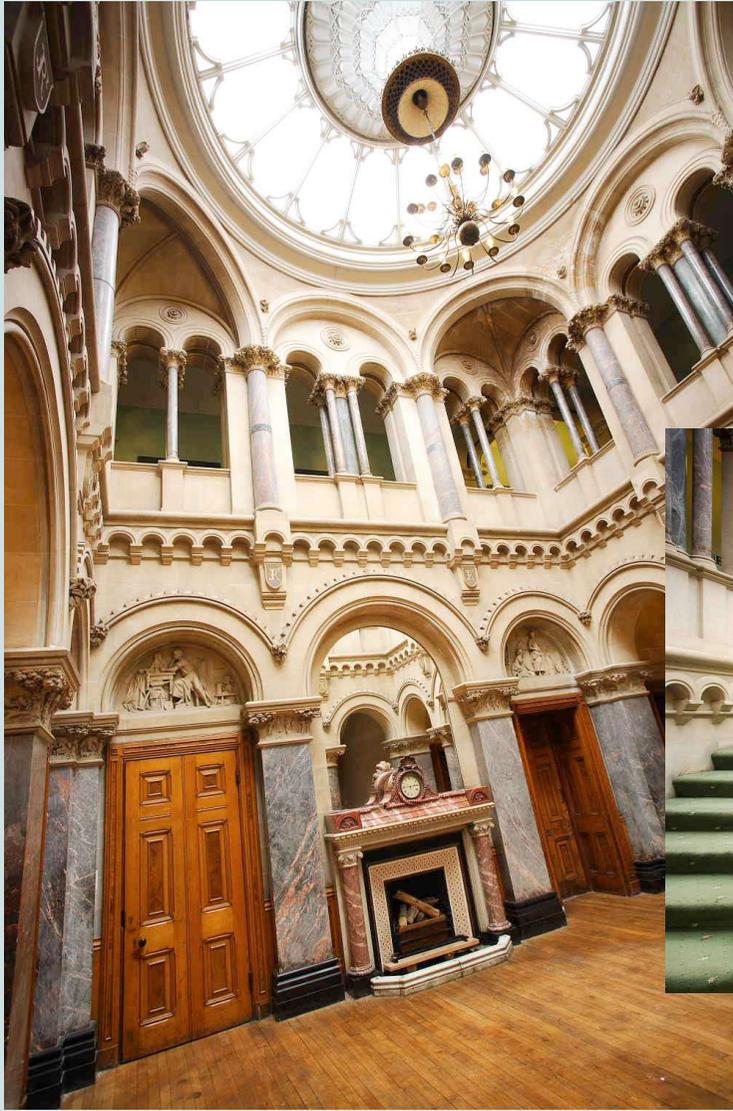
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Typical 3 Day Programme

Around 24 hours of high-quality activity sessions packed into a 3 day course. We ensure your group gains the most possible from every moment spent at Robinwood.

Day One

- Arrivals are typically about 11.00am
- Lunch
- Giant Swing
- Raft Building
- Crate Challenge
- Evening Meal
- Trapeze
- Quest
- Hot Chocolate and Review

Day Two

- Breakfast
- Zip Wire
- Canoeing
- Archery
- Lunch
- Nightline
- Piranha Pool
- Caving
- Evening Meal
- Team Challenge
- Hot Chocolate and Review

Day Three

- Breakfast
- Dungeon
- Climbing
- Challenge Course
- Lunch
- Departures are typically about 2.30pm



DORMITORIES

- The biggest has 12 beds.
- The smallest has 2 beds.







OUR PRIORITIES

- Safety
- Enjoyment
- Learning





CHALLENGE BY CHOICE

- Try new things
- Encourage each other
- No one is forced to do anything



WHAT TO BRING?

- Just the items on the kit list supplied.
- All specialist equipment and clothing is provided.
- Don't buy anything special.





WHAT TO BRING?

- Old clothes
- Please name everything
- Leave valuables at home
- Clothing list will be sent out to parents



WHAT NOT TO BRING?



- Mobile phones
- Electronic devices (games, tablets, etc)
- Smart watches
- Cameras

INFORMATION FROM PARENTS – DIETARY

- Before we attend Robinwood an information will be sent out to parents to be completed about their children.
- This will include up to date medical and dietary requirements.
- This information is sent to Robinwood prior to the trip so that they can accommodate any dietary requirements throughout the children's stay

INFORMATION FROM PARENTS – MEDICAL

- If your child needs any medication while at Robinwood, this needs to be packed in a separate bag and clearly labelled (with accurate dosage needs and frequency)
- All medication will be kept with school staff – each group leader will carry the medication for children in their group at all times.