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P6 practice papers and SEAG update 13th May 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Over the last few weeks, we have been working in class to complete one On Target SEAG-style practice paper per week. As we explained in our April update, the SEAG tests are based on the English and Maths that we cover in P6 and P7. Over the last few weeks, we have been looking at these SEAG-style practice papers with all our P6 pupils as part of our class teaching to familiarise the children with the format of these assessments. We have been using the P6 versions of these papers which are easier and much shorter in length and therefore less intimidating. We have looked at a few questions each day, talked about them as a whole-class and completed them together with no pressure on the children as they learn how to set out their working-out and begin to think about time management. These are important skills for all pupils to develop, whether or not they will be taking the SEAG assessments, which is why we have included every child throughout this initial stage.

As mentioned in our April update, SEAG seagni.co.uk has now confirmed that the grammar schools plan to go ahead with this year's tests which are due to be held on two Saturdays in November - **14th November and 21st November 2026**. The SEAG website provides further details including the names of the participating grammar schools, the cost of entering the tests (if applicable) and the documentation which will be required when filling in your online registration. The **online registration portal is due to open on Monday 18th May** and applications should be completed online via the SEAG website. Please ensure that you read the FAQs section of the SEAG website which will provide you with additional information.

As well as having a completed application form, Parents/Guardians will need the following three elements to finish their application:

- A recent passport-sized photograph of your child which can be uploaded
- A copy of your child's birth certificate which can be uploaded
- Payment of the registration fee (we expect that this will be around £20.00). Parents/guardians of a child who is entitled to **Free School Meals**, and who provide evidence of such entitlement, **will not have to pay the fee**.

The application process will remain open until 5pm on Friday 18th September so there is no immediate rush to submit your application. However, places are allocated at each assessment centre on a first-come, first-served basis so, if you want your child to sit the tests in a particular school, it would be a good idea to submit your application in the next few weeks. Many of our pupils prefer to sit the tests at the same assessment centre as their friends so we would suggest that parents have a chat and select the same assessment centre when completing the application.

Some of our local grammar schools will hold SEAG Information Evenings for P6 parents before the end of June. Two dates that we know of are:

Monday 18th May – Grosvenor Grammar School – 5.00pm

Tuesday 2nd June – Regent House School – 6.00pm

We highly recommend that you go along to one of these evenings to ensure that you receive the most up-to-date guidance about the transfer process.

If there's anything we can do to help you with the application process, please ask! For example, we can provide evidence of entitlement to free school meals if you can't produce your original letter – please ring Mrs McInerney or Mrs Graham in the school office 02890 487589.

We are now asking you to consider whether you wish for your child to continue doing further practice tests as you are planning to enter your child for the SEAG tests or you no longer wish to do further tests as your child will not be entering the SEAG tests. Taking the SEAG tests in P7 allows your child to apply for a grammar school place but, if you know that a grammar school will not be the right place for your child, there is no need to sit the SEAG tests and therefore no need to do more practice papers.

If you wish for your child to continue doing practice papers, please complete the attached form and tick “Yes”. From the end of May, your child will sit one paper per week under test conditions and then go through it in class the next day. The test paper will then be sent home for you to look at together with your child and attempt some corrections. At this stage, scores do not matter – our emphasis is on helping the children to become more familiar with the assessment process and considering the best way to approach each question. **There will be some questions which cover areas of the curriculum which we have not yet covered in class as these are part of the P7 curriculum.** The children who are sitting the practice tests will also be provided with an additional **weekend paper** to complete at home. The answers to these weekend papers will be provided on the school website to allow you to go through the paper and mark it together with your child.

The price of buying the licences for these practice papers and the cost of photocopying each paper adds up to a significant expense for primary schools. If you choose for your child to continue doing practice papers, then, in line with other primary schools in the local area, we have no option but to ask parents to pay £20 via Eduspot towards these costs. This £20 will cover the remaining P6 papers and weekend papers, five papers to be completed over the summer holidays plus all the P7 papers. You will not be asked for an additional payment in September. If, after paying the £20, you choose to withdraw your child from the tests, we will be unable to offer any refunds as we will already have purchased the appropriate licences for your child.

If you do not wish for your child to continue doing practice papers from the end of May onwards, please complete the attached form and tick “No”. Your child will complete separate English and/or Maths activities while the others are sitting the paper or going over their answers. Please do not make a payment of £20 through Eduspot.

All forms should be returned to school by Wednesday 20th May and Eduspot payments (for those who have ticked “Yes”) should be made by the same date please.

A local company “The Transfer Tutor” provides additional support and online quizzes for those children who are taking the SEAG tests. Access to these resources usually costs £95 per child but we have arranged a 20% discount for Brooklands Primary School parents. If you wish to sign up, visit their website www.thetransfertutor.co.uk/parent-school

Please feel free to contact us if there is any way in which we can help you. Thank you once again for your support and for everything that you are doing at home.

Kind regards,

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