
Year 6 Parental Information Meeting

Thursday 10th September

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O Jesus,
Through the most pure heart of Mary,
I offer you all my prayers, thoughts, works and
sufferings of this day
For all the intentions of your most Sacred Heart.
Amen.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Pray for us.
St. John Paul II. Pray for us.

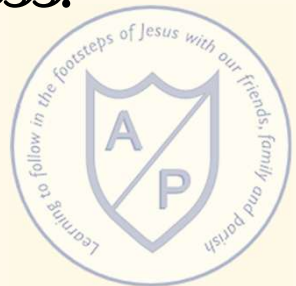
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Attendance

- Missing 10 days of school in Year 6 decreases the chances of reaching the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths by 25%.
- Moving from 90-95% attendance to 95-100% attendance yields the greatest impact on attainment.
- Despite prior learning, SEN, social economics and deprivation, attendance remains a key predictor of academic success.

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SATS Week 2027

SATS Week will take place from Monday 10th May to Thursday 13th May 2027, with all tests taking place in the mornings. Children will take 6 tests in total. There is no writing test - this is teacher assessed.

Monday	English grammar, punctuation and spelling test: Paper 1 short answer questions Paper 2 spelling
Tuesday	English reading test: Reading booklet and associated answer booklet
Wednesday	Mathematics test: Paper 1 arithmetic Paper 2 reasoning
Thursday	Mathematics test: Paper 3 reasoning



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Reaching the Expected Standard

The 'expected standard' is a score that the government expects Year 6 children to achieve by the end of Year 6.

To meet the 'expected standard', a pupil must achieve a scaled score of 100 or more. This is a standardised score, a way of comparing tests year on year.

	EXP in Reading	EXP in SPaG	EXP in Maths
2023	24/50	35/70	56/110
2024	27/50	36/50	54/110
2025	28/50	35/70	58/110
2026	25/50	34/70	56/110



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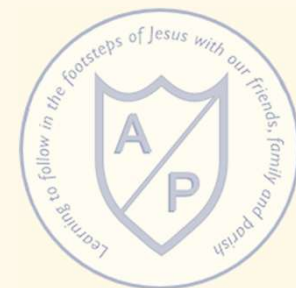
Reaching the Greater Depth standard

To meet the 'greater depth standard', a pupil must achieve a **scaled score** of 110 or more. This is a standardised score, a way of comparing tests year on year.

'Greater depth' shows a deeper understanding of concepts and an ability to apply knowledge flexibly.

	GDS in Reading	GDS in SPaG	GDS in Maths
2023	38/50	55/70	94/110
2024	40/50	53/50	93/110
2025	40/50	54/70	95/110
2026	39/50	55/70	94/110

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Logistics of SATS Week

- Children arrive in school at normal time.
- Breakfast (cereal/toast/squash) served in the hall.
- Children go to allotted classrooms after breakfast.
- At least 2 members of staff in each classroom.
- Test materials delivered to and collected from rooms.

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Results

- Results are sent to school digitally at the start of July.
- Following this, parents will be informed through school of the SATS scores for Reading, SPaG and Maths and teacher assessments for writing and Science
- Science assessment is either Met or Has Not Met.

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Homework

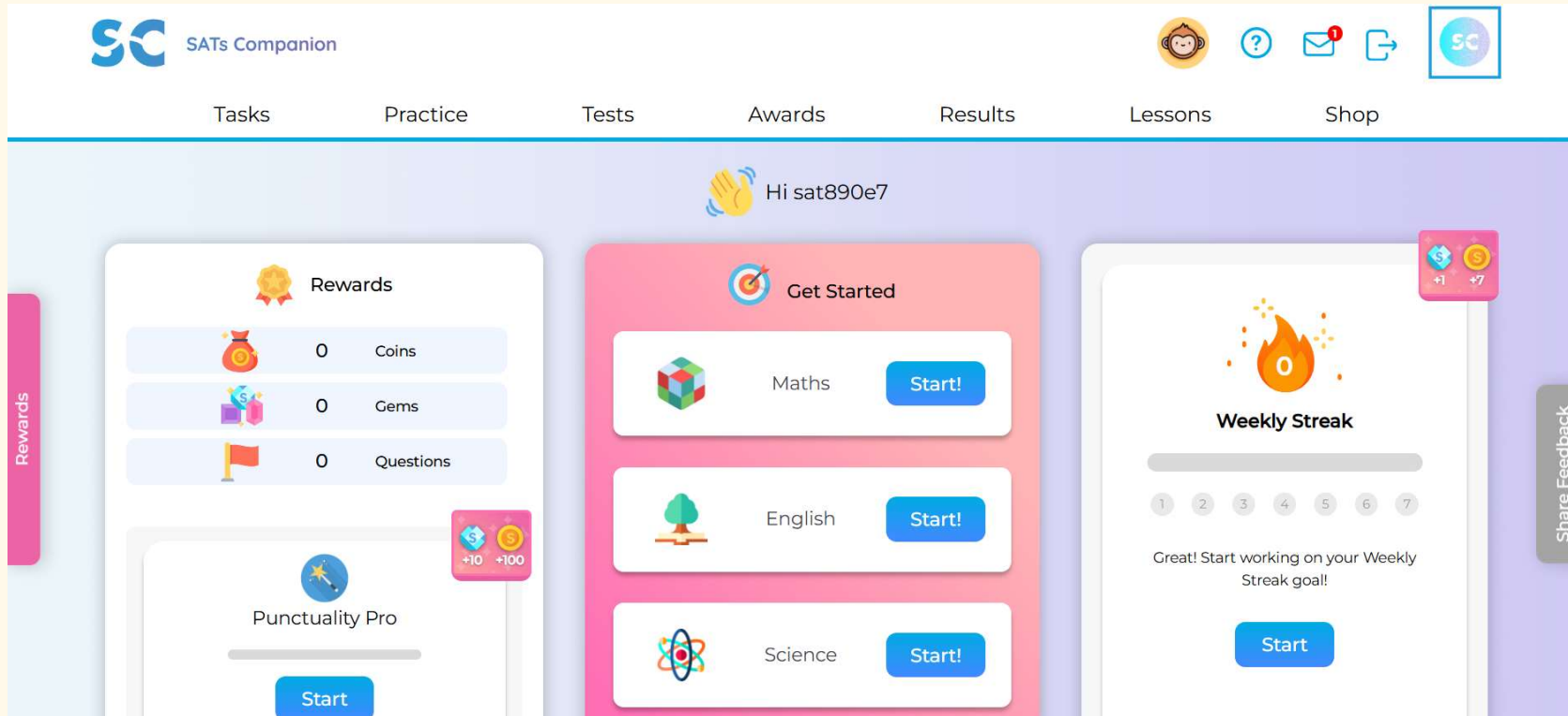
Homework helps prepare your children for secondary school. It helps them to get into a routine and to take responsibility for their work.

- SATS Companion - one English task and one Maths task per week - set on a Monday; due for the following Monday
- Spelling - 10 spellings a week - set on a Wednesday; due for the following Wednesday

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SATS Companion



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Secondary School Applications

Birmingham City Council manage all Year 7 applications.

You must make your application through this website:

<https://eadmissions.birmingham.gov.uk/prefs.php>

This window opened on 1st September 2026 and closes at 11:59pm on 31st October 2026.

Any applications made after 31st October 2026 will be classified as a 'late application' and will not be processed until after 1st March 2027.

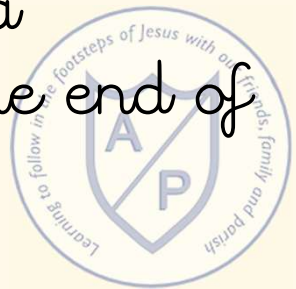


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Apply for 6 schools

- It is important that you are realistic in your school choices e.g. catchment area, admissions requirements.
- If you have your heart set on one school and only include that one school on your application, you would be offered any school if your application was unsuccessful.
- Be realistic - fill in your preferences and ensure you have a back-up plan.
- Being 'unhappy' with the outcome is not grounds for a successful appeal and leaves your child in limbo at the end of the academic year.

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Get busy!

- Make note of Open Evenings and make sure you attend with your child.
- Be open minded that you may 'fall for' a school you were not expecting .
- Find the school that suits your child, not the one that others are choosing.

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Catholic Secondary Schools



St Edmund Campion
Catholic School



Bishop Walsh
Catholic School



St Paul's School
for Girls



Cardinal Wiseman
Catholic School

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Catholic Secondary Schools

Open Evening - Tuesday 15th September (begins at 5pm)

Must submit application to Birmingham City Council.

Must also submit a Supplementary Information Form to the school before 31st October 2026 (including supporting documentation).

Failure to submit the supplementary information form on time will affect your child's ranking and is not grounds for a successful appeal.

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St Edmund Campion
Catholic School



Catholic Secondary Schools

Open Evening - Wednesday 23rd September - 5-7pm

Must submit application to Birmingham City Council.

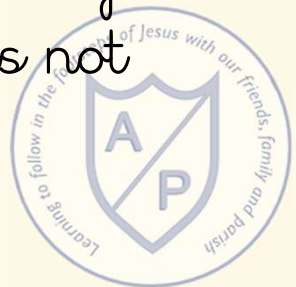
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Bishop Walsh
Catholic School



Catholic Secondary Schools

Open Evening - Thursday 17th September - 5.30-7.30pm

Must submit application to Birmingham City Council.

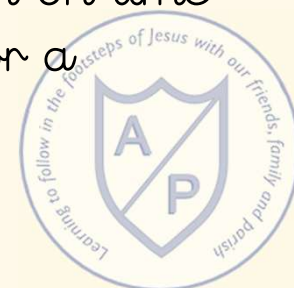
Must also submit a Supplementary Information Form to the school before 31st October 2026 (including supporting documentation). St Paul's also request a Certificate of Catholic Practice.

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St Paul's School
for Girls



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Open Evening - Monday 14th September - 5 - 7.30pm

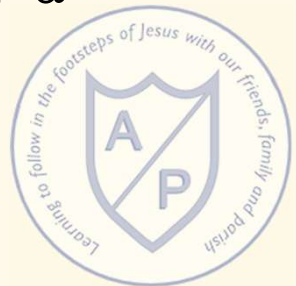
Must submit application to Birmingham City Council.

Must also submit a Supplementary Information Form to the school before 31st October 2026 (including supporting documentation).

Cardinal
Wiseman
Catholic School

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Siblings

- Having a sibling in the secondary school does improve your child's ranking.
- Be honest with the application - schools can check the validity of these siblings claims.
- However, you must still submit any documentation requested by the school. Do not assume, be proactive!

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Open Evenings and required documentation

	Open Evening	BCC deadline	Supplementary information form	Certificate of Catholic Practice
St Edmund Campion	Tuesday 15 th September	31 st October 2026	Yes - submitted to the school by 31 st October	
Bishop Walsh	Wednesday 23 rd September	31 st October 2026	Yes - submitted to the school by 31 st October	
St Paul's School for Girls	Thursday 17 th September	31 st October 2026	Yes - submitted to the school by 31 st October	Yes - submitted to the school by 31 st October
Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School	Monday 14 th September	31 st October 2026	Yes - submitted to the school by 31 st October	

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Any questions?

If time, please speak to a member of staff at the end of the meeting.

Otherwise, please speak to a member of SLT at drop off or a member of SLT/Year 6 team at home time dismissal.

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