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Dear Parents and Carers of Y6 pupils,

I am writing to inform you that on Monday 28th April 2025, all Year 6 pupils will take part in the Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Technical Pre-Test. This is a compulsory assessment directed by the Department for Education (DfE) for randomly selected schools and is not a formal test but a trial to help the DfE gather information for future SATs assessments.

The assessment will take place during the school day and will be conducted under standard test conditions. The test consists of two sections:

- Section 1: Grammar and punctuation questions (45 minutes)
- Section 2: Spelling test (around 15 minutes)

As this is a pre-test, there is no additional preparation required from pupils in advance, and the results will not affect their SATs outcomes. However, it is important that all pupils attend school on this day to ensure the data collected is as accurate as possible. Pupils who finish early will be given a reading book to occupy them quietly until the session ends.

Please note that as this is a trial, it provides pupils with an additional opportunity to practice the types of questions they will encounter on the SATs assessments.

For this trial, pupils will complete the papers as a class. If your child requires any access arrangements (e.g., additional time), these will be in place as per their usual support in assessments.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Reynolds
Associate Assistant Headteacher