Assessment 2015 "Assessment without Levels"



The new National Curriculum and methods for assessing children's progress

Opening Prayer

Good and loving God, Source of every grace and blessing, We give You thanks this day for the many gifts you have given us. We seek to be good stewards, Lord. Bless us as we gather here to share Your gifts. Send us Your Spirit and be present among us in the mouths of all who speak, in the ears of all who listen, and at the heart of all we say and do. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen

Government School Policy



- May 2013: Government decided that current 'levels' used to report attainment and progress removed – not replaced
- Schools have the freedom to decide
 - how to teach the curriculum
 - how to track progress
- National Curriculum from September 2014

 specific, age-related content



Assessment after levels

- Heavily focused on Age Related Expectations
- Working within the expected range of attainment for his/her age

- Working below
- On track
- Working above

By The End of The Year



- At St Benet's the expectation is that children will be 'secure' within their year group by the end of each school year.
- Some children won't be secure, so will therefore be 'developing' or 'emerging' within their year group. For these children additional support will be identified and interventions/strategies put in place.
- Some children may be exceeding the age related expectations and will be 'advanced' in their year group. Additional support will be identified and a higher level of challenge provided to these children.

Termly Reports

Areas of Learning	Working Below Age Related Expectations	On Track to meet the Age Related Expectations	Working Above the Age Related Expectations
Religious Education			
Reading		*	
Writing			
Mathematics			

In termly reports, if your child is on track to meeting the age related expectations, your child should be 'secure' by the end of the academic year.

Eg: if your child is in Year 4, at the end of the year he/she will be Year 4 secure.

Pre-2014 Progression Chart

National Curriculum levels and end of year Age Related Expectations (Years 1-6)

Level 1b	
Level 1a	
Level 2c	
Level 2b	Y2 (end of KS1)
Level 2a	
Level 3c	
Level 3b	Y4
Level 3a	
Level 4c	
Level 4b	Y6 (end of KS2)
Level 4a	
Level 5c	

2015 Progression Chart

National Curriculum and end of year Age Related Expectations

Nursery/ Reception	Emerging Expected Exceeding
Year One	Working below/towards age related expectations On track to achieve age related expectations – Secure Working above the age related expectations
Year Two	Working below/towards age related expectations On track to achieve age related expectations – Secure Working above the age related expectations
Year Three	Working below/towards age related expectations On track to achieve age related expectations – Secure Working above the age related expectations

Year Four	Working below/towards age related expectations On track to achieve age related expectations – Secure Working above the age related expectations
Year Five	Working below/towards age related expectations On track to achieve age related expectations – Secure Working above the age related expectations
Year Six	Working below/towards age related expectations On track to achieve age related expectations – Secure Working above the age related expectations

The expectation is that by the end of primary school (Year 6), children will be Year 6 secure = Year 7 ready.



Tracking Progress

- Work in exercise books
- Half termly assessments in
 - *Reading,
 - *Writing,
 - *Grammar, spelling and punctuation (GPS) *Maths
- Termly assessment in Religious Education

Teachers will use both the daily progress in books and results from tests to form a judgement

Statutory Assessments



- Reception/Nursery baseline as children enter the school (internally assessed)
- Early Years Foundation Stage profile
- Y1 Phonics screening (Y2 re-screening)
- Key Stage One Year Two
- Key Stage Two Year Six

Summary – What to Expect

- No further levels
- New language of assessment
- Half termly testing and tracking
- New reporting to parents (without levels)
- Clear understanding of age related expectations
- Improved conversations between teachers and pupils regarding next steps
- Clear picture of the school's overall performance