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Dear Parents and Carers,

Additional bank Holiday – Monday 8th May 2023

As I am sure you are aware, an additional bank holiday has been announced in honour of the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III. This will take place on Monday 8th May 2023. School will be closed to staff and pupils on this date.

Year 6 parents and carers will notice that Monday 8th May was due to be the first day of Key Stage 2 SATs week. The announcement of the bank holiday means that there will now be a change to the Key Stage 2 test schedule for this week.

Government ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week with tests following the usual order but each taking place one day later than originally planned. As such, the new schedule will be:

- **Tuesday 9th May:** English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
- **Wednesday 10th May:** English reading paper
- **Thursday 11th May:** mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
- **Friday 12th May:** mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

It is important for Year 6 children to attend school for the full week for their tests in order to receive an assessment judgement from these tests.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Towle
Headteacher