

WATLING STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

7th November 2014

Dear families,

New National Curriculum and Assessment in Years 1, 3, 4, and 5

As part of Government reforms to the National Curriculum, the system of levels used to report children's attainment and progress has been removed and will not be replaced. The Government is encouraging schools to design their own, bespoke methods of measuring children's attainment and progress. To begin our journey to a 'level free' curriculum, we have designed an initial assessment system which will report to parents their child's progress and attainment according to '**age related expectations**'.

At parent consultations your child's class teacher will report to you whether your child is working at a '**developing**', '**secure**' or '**exceeding**' stage for their individual year group, in reading, writing and maths. They will also provide you with copies of your child's individual targets for these subject areas so you are aware of their 'next steps' This will replace the previous reporting system of sub-levels e.g 3c, 3b, 3a etc.

Your child's class teacher will be happy to discuss this further with you during your consultation.

Years 2 and 6 will remain on the old National Curriculum and will be using levels for this academic year.

Please bear with us during this time of educational reform, we will closely monitor the implementation of these new systems and may make changes as appropriate to support your children's learning.

Yours sincerely,

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ASSESSMENT AND DATA MANAGER