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Dear Year 6

This week you are sitting your SATS for SPAG, Reading and Maths. I know how hard you have worked and there is something very important I want you to know.

The SATS does not assess what makes you special and unique. The people who create these tests and score them do not know you the way we do and certainly not the way your family knows you!

They do not know that you might love to sing, code, read or draw, or that you have a natural talent for sport, dancing or gymnastics. They do not know that your friends can count on you to be there for them and that your laughter can brighten someone's day. They do not know that you wonder about your future and help the younger children in your life at school or home. They do not know that you are kind, trustworthy and thoughtful and every day you try your best.

The score you get for these tests will tell you something but not everything. There are many ways of being smart and you are smart. So remember there is no test that can score how amazing you are.

As the Greek philosopher, Aristotle once said,

'Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all'

Believe in yourself and sparkle !

Miss Priestley

Head Teacher

