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Dear Year 6,

Today you should have been sitting your first SAT paper. You have worked so hard for these tests. Coming in early, lunch time clubs, homework club, you could have done no more to prepare. However, due to these challenging times, we are not in school and you have been learning from home. You have showed resilience, courage and bravery over the last few weeks and learnt skills no test can prepare you for.

I just want you to know we are so proud of you. Tests do not define you, you have worked hard all the way through school and not just this year. Your teachers know you and what you can do and we know that you are all amazing and going to go onto great things. Don't be sad that your SATs didn't happen. Be proud of what you have achieved and be excited for what is to come. As you have the whole world at your feet, when you can, go out, explore and enjoy it!

Stay safe and we cannot wait to see you soon
Mrs Colley

To all of our Year 6s,

As SATs week arrives it is not quite the same,
The tests that were printed this year never came,
The displays still up; walls full of Maths 'rules',
But Year 6 very different, at present, in schools.

For some of you, happiness, lots of relief,
For others a sigh of pure disbelief,
That you worked really hard in advance of this week,
Expected and Greater Depth marks you did seek.

Algebra, fractions, the times table drills,
Inference, retrieval, in-depth reading skills,
Past present, progressive... and all the SPAG terms,
You've practised and mastered them over the years.

Fear not though, the SATs, yes, won't happen this term,
But remember tests don't measure everything you learn,
Primary subjects are varied; you've always tried your best,
And many of those skills that you've gained can't be defined by a test.

So, here at St. Mary's, you've made us so proud,
We sit here with pride and we shout this out loud...
"Year 6 you amaze us, you've come incredibly far...
And we don't need a test to see how amazing you are!"

We hope to see you soon Year 6,
Mrs Waite and Mrs Johnston

