

Salisbury primary schools' SAT results

High scores in core subjects

By Sophie Day

PRIMARY school children in Wiltshire have performed well in the three core subjects of reading, writing and maths, according to the latest performance tables.

It is the second year that pupils have sat the new style SAT tests which were introduced to raise standards, but critics have claimed the tests are too narrow at the expense of other subjects.

The number of primary pupils in Wiltshire reaching the expected standards has risen since last year, with 59 per cent meeting the target compared to 54 per cent in 2016, but it fell short of national figures (61 per cent).

Meanwhile, 66 per cent of children in Hampshire and 57 per cent in Dorset reached the expected standards in all three subjects.

School Standards Minister Nick Gibb said the results

showed teachers and pupils had "responded well to the new more rigorous curriculum".

At St Thomas A Becket School in Tisbury, every pupil in its class of six met the standard.

Head teacher Lisa Meredith said: "We are all delighted and extremely proud.

"It is the product of hard work from the teachers and pupils, and demonstrates the high expectations we have of our pupils and reflects our school's individualistic approach to children in terms of learning and pastoral support."

Also reaching the standard is St Osmund's in Salisbury, which improved its mark from last year of 77 per cent to 83 per cent in 2017.

Head teacher Richard Sanderson said the school was "rightly very proud", adding: "They achieved so highly and worked with determination, positivity and

above all, a smile on their faces. We are blessed to have such a talented and committed teaching team and supportive parents."

He added: "We set high standards at St Osmund's and while we can be pleased with the results in the last few years, we are already looking to the future as we continue to provide a high quality broad range of curriculum opportunities for our children."

But Christ The King Catholic School in Amesbury, Great Wishford Primary School, and Manor Fields Primary School in Salisbury all failed to reach the government's minimum standard for performance.

Laura Mayes, Wiltshire Council cabinet member for children, said: "I'd like to congratulate our pupils, dedicated school staff, governors and parents for their commitment and hard work to achieve these results."

School	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Alebury and West Grintstead	27	70%	0.6	63%	-2.7	70%	-0.2	52%
All Saints (Netheaton)	14	71%	1.6	64%	-1.0	64%	-2.1	64%
Amesbury Archer	37	68%	-0.8	73%	-0.4	76%	-0.3	62%
Amesbury	50	76%	-0.9	76%	1.1	60%	-0.7	54%
Bemerton St John	31	68%	-0.7	74%	-2.0	71%	-1.4	61%
Broad Chalke	28	93%	3.6	86%	1.7	89%	2.4	79%
Bulford St Leonards	30	57%	-1.7	67%	-1.6	70%	-1.3	37%
Chilmark and Fonthill Bishop	10	80%	0.3	90%	-0.2	60%	-4.4	60%
Christ The King, Amesbury	36	47%	-3.1	56%	-2.0	42%	-6.0	28%
Clarendon Junior School, Tidworth	69	61%	-1.5	71%	0.5	52%	-2.4	42%
Collingbourne	17	47%	-4.0	65%	-2.2	71%	-2.0	47%
Coombe Bisset	15	93%	2.5	87%	-1.9	100%	1.3	87%
Dinton	14	79%	0.8	79%	2.1	79%	0.2	64%
Downton	26	73%	1.1	77%	-0.5	58%	3.3	50%
Durrington	45	73%	0.6	71%	-0.3	76%	-0.4	60%
Fightellean St Michael's	7	86%	2.0	71%	1.0	57%	-5.3	57%
Gomeldon	16	69%	3.4	75%	0.9	69%	0.6	63%
Great Wishford	17	53%	-5.0	59%	-4.6	12%	-8.9	6%
Greenures	45	87%	1.9	87%	-0.6	84%	1.9	80%
Hamman Junior	88	68%	-1.6	78%	-0.7	69%	-2.5	57%
Hindon	5	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Kiwi (Bulford)	16	69%	-2.4	88%	1.2	69%	-1.8	44%
Larkhill	23	70%	-0.2	65%	-1.7	83%	0.9	48%
Longford	3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ludgershall Castle	26	58%	-1.1	69%	0.2	46%	-4.9	46%
Mere	25	80%	2.4	80%	1.2	88%	3.5	68%
Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls	8	100%	2.0	88%	2.0	100%	3.3	88%
The New Forest	31	77%	-2.9	84%	-3.2	71%	-3.4	61%
Newton Tony	6	67%	-5.8	67%	-3.2	67%	-4.1	50%
Old Sarum	28	57%	0.1	64%	1.8	46%	-1.6	39%
Pembroke Park	24	50%	-1.8	71%	2.8	63%	0.5	50%
Pitton	14	71%	0.0	57%	-3.8	64%	-3.5	50%
St Andrew's (Laverstock)	29	52%	-2.9	66%	-1.1	59%	-1.2	38%
St John's (Tisbury)	9	78%	0.9	56%	-1.2	56%	-2.4	44%
St Mark's (Salisbury)	85	68%	-3.2	45%	-6.9	66%	-3.0	41%
St Martin's (Salisbury)	13	46%	-1.5	62%	-2.8	85%	4.0	31%
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