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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Information: cancellation of**[2019/20](tel:+44201920)**national curriculum assessments** [The Secretary of State for Education announced](https://www.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8088a92c9c7454749d4a06114&id=af1e41353d&e=3bd583ae55) yesterday, Wednesday 18 March, that the [2019/20](tel:+44201920) national curriculum assessments will not take place due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.  This means the following assessments planned between April and July [2020](tel:+442020) are cancelled:   * end of key stage 1 and key stage 2 assessments (including tests and teacher assessment) * phonics screening check * multiplication tables check * science sampling tests * all statutory trialling   You do not need to complete any further activities to prepare for these assessments.  Primary school performance measures will not be published for the [2019/20](tel:+44201920) academic year. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Reminder: Department for Education (DfE) COVID-19 (Coronavirus) helpline**  DfE has launched a helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:  Phone: [0800 046 8687](tel:+448000468687) Email: [DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk) Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm and weekends from 10am to 4pm  The [latest guidance for education settings](https://www.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8088a92c9c7454749d4a06114&id=fd5e81ae78&e=3bd583ae55) is available on [GOV.UK](http://gov.uk/). | | |
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