

WEST SUSSEX SATS RESULTS

The county's 11-year-olds continued the trend of improvement in 2019

West Sussex has again seen a slight improvement in Key Stage 2 SATs results.

Provisional results show that 62% of 11-year-old pupils met or exceeded government standards in reading, writing and maths (RWM), a 1% rise from last year and a 7% rise since 2017.

National RWM figures for 2019 are 65%. Since the new exam framework was introduced in 2016, West Sussex has improved its RWM results by 17% against a national increase of 11%.

KS2 results in mathematics increased by 3% to 76% from 2018, writing by 1% to 76%, while reading matched the national average of 73%, dropping 3%. Grammar, punctuation and spelling remained at 75%.

KS1 results also continued to rise and narrow the gap with national averages. 75% reach or exceed the standard in reading, 74% in mathematics and 68% in writing – an 8% rise since 2017. Early Years pupils in West Sussex also rose to match national averages of 72% attaining a Good Level of Development.

Richard Burrett, West Sussex County Council Cabinet Member for Education and Skills, said: "I am pleased to again see a rise in our SATs results across the age ranges and although we are still slightly below national figures, I'm encouraged that we continue to see improvements. This is all down to the hard work of pupils and the strong support they received from their schools.

"These improved results match the rise in the number of schoolchildren attending good and outstanding Ofsted-rated schools, the highest it's been since 2016, as a result of our positive partnership with schools."

