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Year 4 Multiplication Check

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you are aware from previous communication, your child will be sitting the new, national statutory Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) this year in June. The multiplication check will ascertain how well each child knows their multiplication tables up to 12×12 . The National Curriculum (2014) states that, 'by the end of Year 4, pupils should have memorised their multiplication tables up to and including the 12 multiplication table and show precision and fluency in their work'. Pupils are asked to answer 25 questions on times tables from 2 to 12.

Year 2 times tables facts: 10, 2 and 5 multiplication tables Year 3 times tables facts: 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables Year 4 times tables facts: 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 multiplication tables

Using an online testing tool, pupils will be asked to answer 25 questions on times tables from 2 to 12. They will be given six seconds per question, with three seconds rest between each question; the test should take less than five minutes for each child to complete. The results will be shared with us to help us best support the children. For more information, please visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ct5cDctLVTI&t=1s

Please see your child's report for whether they are on track to achieve the national standard.

In continue to prepare your child for the check and develop confidence and fluency with their times tables recall, we encourage your child to regularly access TTRockstars. The best way to support your child is to incorporate practise of times tables into your daily routine well in advance. Please encourage your child to practise their times tables as much as possible and I am sure they will love to show you their great achievements. The timed element of the test may be more challenging for some children but with regular practise, your child is more likely to get used to tackling these types of questions with ease. A guide to support you navigating the site can be found at the bottom of this letter.

In class, children will continue to be tested on their current times table set each week until they get full marks. Again, this is a timed test to help prepare children for the multiplication check. Your child's score will continue to be communicated each week through their reading diary, enabling you to see the progress they are making.

We will be arranging a parent meeting to provide you with further information after half term. If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Hine, Mrs Cripps or myself.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Miss Hulme Maths Lead







When children complete a game, they gain coins for every correct answer.

They can use these coins to buy items in the shop to change their avatar.

The best approach to TTRockstars is little and often.

Have fun!