



7th May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

As many of you will be aware from our information evening and parent drop-in sessions earlier on in the year, the National Curriculum states that all children should be confident with all times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4. Rapid recall of these times tables gives all children an excellent foundation on which they can build a wide variety of mathematical skills. The government introduced a **Multiplication Times Tables Check (MTC)** and the current Year 4s will do the check this year in the week commencing **Monday 9th June 2025**.

The check will be delivered in small groups of approximately 6 children (on iPads) and will take about five minutes to do; there are 25 times table questions. Your child will be able to answer 3 practice questions before taking the actual check. They will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. The class teacher will be with the children when they take the test to ensure consistency and familiarity.

Alongside arithmetic sessions, games, TT Rockstars and intervention groups, the children will have the opportunity to use the 'try it out' area of the website, which will help them to become more confident with the layout of the test and the timings, whilst also making sure they have the necessary support required to access the check.

The outcome of the check should inform both us as a school and you as parents as to where each child is in terms of their times tables knowledge. We can then celebrate their success and work together to identify and address any gaps.

As with all statutory assessments, the result will be reported on the end of year report. There is not a pass mark but the results will be used for future support and gap-filling. If your child is absent on the day that the check is due to be administered, there is a small window where they are able to still sit it. Please do let the Year 4 teachers know if you have any planned absences for the week stated above.

We are practicing the times tables at school but if you would like to support them at home you could ask them times tables first by rote then mix them up so that they are in no particular order. TT Rockstars is also a good app to provide practice little and often.

If you have any questions about the MTC then please do not hesitate to ask the class teachers.

Yours sincerely

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Turtles Class Teacher

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