

Dear Parents/Carers

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Y4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

As you may be aware, in 2020 a new national statutory test for year four children called the 'Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)' was introduced. The test judges how well each child knows their multiplication tables up to 12x12, which is the expected standard by the end of year 4.

The test will be administered during the summer term and will involve an online test of 25 questions. The children get 6 seconds to answer each question.

The following YouTube link provides a little more insight:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ct5cDctLVTI&list=PL6gGtLyXoec9eWA31dGs2RmsAM8jDhDXs&index=2>

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 times tables. We can then celebrate their successes and work together to identify and address any gaps.

What can you do?

Please regularly quiz your children on times table recall. There are also lots of online apps, card games and puzzles widely available to support children to learn their tables in a fun and engaging way. We ask that you encourage your child to use their online TTRockstars account as regularly as possible – it has an excellent track record for improving times table recall and is great fun! Children can earn coins and create an online Rockstar avatar by battling one another and taking part in arena tours!

One of the excellent features of TTRockstars is the 'Sound Check'. This is an online game set up in the same way as the MTC. Practising via 'Sound Check' will help children to prepare for the MTC. You should have your child's log in details, however if you don't please ask their class teacher for it.

MathsFrame have also created an online check that is very similar to the MTC:

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

If you have any questions regarding the MTC please speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support

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