

# Welcome

Year 4 Times Table Sharing meeting

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#### Aim:

- To know about the MTC (Multiplication Tables Check).
- To look at what the assessment will look like.
- What we do to support children to learn their times tables at school.
- What you can do to support your child.
- Access arrangements
- Useful websites



Children who are not <u>fluent</u> in their times tables by the end of Year 4 will struggle to access the Year 5 and Year 6 curriculum, making learning new skills and concepts far more difficult.



"Leaving primary school with a fundamental grasp of basic numeracy is as important as leaving being able to read. And just as the phonics check has helped more children learn to read, this will ensure more pupils know their times tables."

Nick Gibb, Schools Minister



#### What is The MTC?

 It's a new national test for Year 4 children

 Under the national curriculum primary school children are expected to know their 12 times tables by the end of Year 4

 As a school, we've been preparing children to know their times tables by the end of Year 4.

https://youtu.be/ct5cDctLVTI





#### The practicalities

#### THE CHECK ITSELF.

- Take place in a three-week window in June. (between Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 24th June)
- Is done on a tablet or computer in groups, individually or with the whole class.
- Will take no longer than 5 minutes.
- There are 25 questions.
- Pupils have 6 seconds to answer each question.
- There's no problem solving or division just simple "3 x 4 = ?" type questions.
- The test will be scored automatically out of 25.

Try it out check will be released by the government on 19<sup>th</sup> April for familiarization.

- Data will be reported back to school and Parents.
- Children will be considered fluent only if they achieve full marks in their tests.

# An example...

1/25 **◀** Back Time left: 5 6 x 11= Enter

## Access Arrangements

Access arrangements can be made for children who:

- have an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan
- have an Individual Education Plan (IEP)
- have English as an additional language and have limited fluency in English

If you have any questions, please ask at the end

# What if my child does not achieve full marks in the MTC?

The MTC will serve as a measure of how well children understand and can recall their times table knowledge.

Any child who does not achieve full marks in the MTC will receive further additional support in the form of interventions to plug any gaps in their times table knowledge in Years 5 and 6.

The MTC will serve as a helpful tool for teachers and schools in identifying children with gaps in their mathematical knowledge.



What are we doing to prepare children in school?

Times tables are taught every day as part of your child's maths lessons

All children have access to a Times Table Rockstars account. This is an excellent online game where children are encouraged to practice their tables in a competitive way against peers, themselves or other members of the school

Teachers test times tables weekly to check where pupils are up to

Any children who are not secure with their times tables at different stages of the year receive interventions to help them catch up.





### How can you help at home?

- Encourage your child to actively use Times Table Rockstars.
- Quiz your children regularly.
- Show your children some fun 'tricks' for remembering the trickier times tables, like nines or the sevens.
- Use times table wall charts at home
- Create flashcards with your child for each times table and play games like snap or matching them up in a specific time. This works well as a competition between siblings, parents or even other family members!
- Support school in any times table practice we send home



#### Useful websites

- TTRS <a href="https://ttrockstars.com/">https://ttrockstars.com/</a>
- Hit the button -<u>https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button</u>
- www.timestables.co.uk
- Daily 10 https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10
- www.topmarks.co.uk
- <a href="https://urbrainy.com/mtc">https://urbrainy.com/mtc</a>

# And finally...

If you have any questions, please do talk to me. I'll try my best to answer your queries.

Thank you for your time and support.