

High expectations for all, by all!



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Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday 8th December at 3:45 pm, a meeting for Year 4 parents will take place to discuss the upcoming **Year 4 Multiplication Check**. During this session, we will review the assessment requirements, outline the support strategies available for pupils and ensure that all staff are fully prepared for the administration of the check. This meeting will provide an opportunity to clarify expectations, share resources and address any questions ahead of the multiplication check.

What is the Multiplication Tables Check?

As part of the national curriculum, all Year 4 children in England are required to take the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in the summer term. The purpose of this check is to ensure that pupils have a solid understanding of their multiplication facts up to 12×12 , as these are essential for success in maths throughout Key Stage 2 and beyond.

The MTC is an online assessment consisting of 25 multiplication questions.

- Each question is presented on a screen.
- Children have 6 seconds to answer each one.
- The questions focus on times tables up to 12×12 .

The check is designed to be quick, simple and supportive of your child's learning. It is not a formal test and there is no pass or fail. The results help teachers identify which pupils may need additional support with their times tables.

How we are preparing in school

Throughout the year, we practise multiplication facts in a range of fun and engaging ways, including:

- Daily times-table practice
- Games, songs and activities
- Online tools, such as Times Tables Rock Stars
- Recall challenges and small-group sessions

Our aim is to help every child feel confident and ready.

How you can support at home

Regular practice makes a big difference. You can help by:



- Practising times tables, little and often
- Using online games (e.g., TTRS, Hit the Button)
- Asking quick-fire questions during daily routines
- Encouraging your child to recall tables in random order, not just counting up

When will the check take place?

The Multiplication Tables Check will take place during the designated period in June, and we will share exact dates with you closer to the time.

Questions?

If you have any concerns or would like further guidance on how to help at home, then we will answer these questions or concerns during the scheduled meeting. We are here to support you and your child.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Spetch and Mrs Hutchinson

