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Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check – TT Rockstars

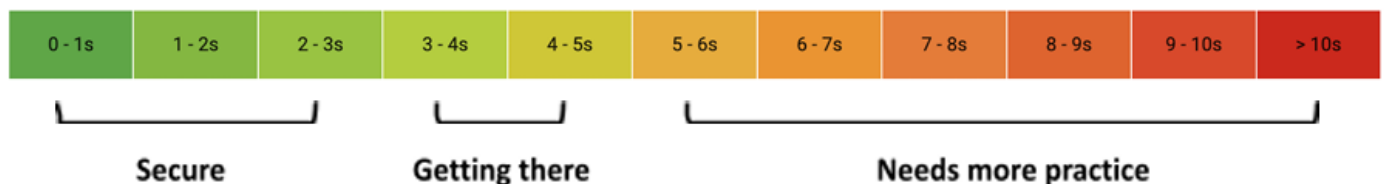
Dear Parents and Carers,

In 2025, all schools in the United Kingdom must administer the MTC (Multiplication Tables Check) to all eligible Year 4 pupils between **Monday 2 June** and **Friday 13 June**. The MTC is a statutory assessment for all children in Year 4 and the purpose of the check is to determine whether your child can fluently recall their times tables (up to 12 x 12), which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help us, as a school, to identify if your child may need additional support.

In order to ensure that the children are fully prepared to undertake the MTC, they have been undertaking regular practice of times tables (up to 12x12) in their classes, using resources such as 'Hit the Button' and 'TT Rockstars' (Times Table Rock Stars), with a particular focus on fluency and recall.

What can you do to help your child learn their times tables?

In order to support your child with learning their times tables, you can access your child's heat map online by logging in to your child's TT Rockstars account and clicking on 'Account' > 'Stats' > 'Fluency'. Their heat map shows their current recall time for each of the times tables facts. The greener the fact, the quicker their response time. Any facts shown in red or orange have response times that are slower than 5 seconds and should be practised to improve recall. The diagram below is a quick reference guide:



We would really appreciate if you would please spend some time with your child identifying which tables they need to practise and celebrating the ones they already know.

In the coming days, your child will be bringing home a reminder of their TT Rockstars username and password. In order to ensure that the children have the best possible chance, we are asking that they practice on TT Rockstars for a **minimum of 30 minutes weekly** using both the 'Studio' and 'Garage' games. These games have been chosen specifically because they are very similar in style and format to the online MTC assessment the children will sit in June.





In addition to this, we have also set the children a challenge for over the Easter Holidays. We have challenged each child to play **a minimum** of 50 minutes on the 'Studio' games and 50 minutes on the 'Garage' games. If your child completes this challenge, they will be entered into a raffle draw to win a chocolate hamper. It is up to the children how they complete their 100 minutes – they may choose to do this in short bursts, or alternatively, they may choose to practice for 10 minutes over 10 days. We look forward to watching your child's progress, which will be monitored by their class teacher.

As always, if you have any questions, please do come and speak to us.

Kind regards,
Mrs Lockwood, Mrs Hill and Mrs Copeman
Year 4 Class Teachers



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