



Year 4 Multiplication check

Key Information for Parents/Carers

The National Times Table Check (MTC) is a test for all Year Four pupils that takes place between the 6th and 24th of June 2022.

The purpose of the check is to determine whether your child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12x12, which is essential for their future success in mathematics.

It is an on-screen check consisting of 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. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

When we receive the results, this information will be used to inform our teaching and help provide support for our pupils.

Why are times tables important?

Times tables are fundamental to supporting children's mental arithmetic and underpin everything within Maths. It is vital that all children know their multiplication facts up to 12 x 12. Knowing the multiplication facts up to 12x 12, will give them the essential knowledge needed to be proficient with Years 5 and 6 Curriculum.

How can you support your child at home?

1) Encourage children to play Times Table Rockstars as often as possible. Small 5- minute daily sessions will help the children to learn times tables more efficiently than in one long session a week. The soundcheck option is very similar to the multiplication check.

2) Quiz your child at home regularly. This could be when making dinner or on the journey to school

3) Display a poster with all of the times tables facts somewhere at home.



4) We teach the children fun tricks at school such as the 9 times table finger trick. If you know this, you can practise it with them at home.



5) Create flash cards with your children and let them play with friends, siblings, grandparents. They could write the answer on the back and test themselves.

6) We use lots of songs to teach our times tables in school. Children sing along with those at home. They could also make their own times tables.

7) Chanting their times table is an excellent way to learn them. They could do this each time they walk up the stairs.

Any times tables practise that the children can do at home will really support them to become proficient in their times tables and help them with their everyday learning in Maths.

If you require any help with the suggested ideas or resources, please let us know. Thank you for your

Useful websites:

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/27576>

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>