

Tuesday 26th September 2023

Dear Year 3 parents & children,

Year 3 Autumn Term Times Tables

Please find below a list of the times tables that have been set for Year 3 homework for the rest of this term. The dates given are when the children will have a quick **6 minute quiz** to see how they are getting on. To start with, we will begin by revisiting tables with which the children are already familiar. This is so that they can get used to the format and routine. The children tried this out with the 10x table last Friday and did really well.

Times tables can be practised in many different ways including: online games/apps, chanting/singing, paper and pencil, grouping objects, applying them to practical everyday situations etc. The challenge for those children who are already confident is speed.

Whilst the children have opportunities in school to practise and apply these facts, we rely on your continued support at home. Being secure in recalling multiplication facts is vital for children to develop their mathematical fluency skills. It frees up their working memory and helps them to grasp more readily other concepts. Our aim is to make this fun and stress-free.

Little and often is definitely the best way.

YEAR 3 TIMES TABLES												
Fri 22 Sept	Fri 29 Sept	Fri 6 Oct	Fri 13 Oct	Fri 20 Oct	Thurs 26 Oct	Fri 3 Nov half term	Fri 10 Nov	Fri 17 Nov	Fri 24 Nov	Fri 1 Dec	Fri 8 Dec	Fri 15 Dec
10x	10x	5x	5x	2x	2x	Keep practising!	3x	3x	4x	4x	8x	8x

As you already know, your child now has access to Times Table Rock Stars in school and we encourage children to practise with this at home also (login details to keep at home were given out last week). The programme can be easily accessed via the Times Table Rock Stars app on your mobile or tablet as well as on a PC/laptop. You just need to login with your child's username and password. Once logged in, the following areas are the most useful.

Jamming	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No time limit.Simply choose the times table you need to practise from the list above.You decide whether you would like to practise multiplication only or with division.You can even choose how many questions you would like to try.
Garage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Short games set up weekly by us for the children to practise the tables from the above homework list.Both multiplication and division facts tested

For any Year 3 Rock Stars who would like to try something more adventurous!

Studio	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1 minute games covering tables up to 12 x 12 (both multiplication and division)Children try to get at least one right answer in every Studio game.They will be given their first 'Rock Status' when they have scored in 10 Studio games
Sound Check	<ul style="list-style-type: none">25 questions up to 12 x 12 (both multiplication and division)6 seconds per questionMimics the Multiplication Tables Check that will take place at the end of Year 4.

The above information is on our class pages of the school website together with links to musical times tables and downloadable paper practice ideas.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to come and speak to us.

Thank you for all your help and support.

Janine Gray & Jill Robertson

