

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Year 4 parents & children,

### Year 4 Autumn Term Times Tables

Please find below a list of the tables that have been set for homework for the rest of this term. The dates given are when the children will have their quick **6 minute quiz** to see how they are getting on. To start with, we will begin by revisiting times tables with which they are already familiar. This is so that they can get used to the format and routine once again. The children started with 3x table last Friday and did really well. The challenge for those children who are already confident is speed. **Little and often is definitely the best way**

We aim for our Year 4 children to be able to recall fluently all multiplication facts up to 12 x 12 before moving on to Middle School, in line with the requirements of the National Curriculum. The Year 4s will also take part in a Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) during the first two weeks of June next year (a parent information meeting will be held in the spring term next year). This is an online assessment that will take approximately 5 minutes per child and will be carried using school iPads. It is made up of a randomised set of 25 multiplication questions. The children will have 6 seconds from the time the question appears to input their answer. We will present this to the children in a relaxed and fun way and they will have the opportunity to practise many times both in and out of school. Individual pupil scores are for us to be able to target support and intervention.

YEAR 4 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
3x	3x	4x	4x	8x	8x	Keep practising!	6x	6x	9x	7x	11x	12x

The children are continuing to access to Times Table Rock Stars in school and we encourage children to practise with this at home in addition to any other ways that may be helpful to them (paper practice, games, songs etc). Once logged in, the following areas are the most useful.

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

*For any Year 4 Rock Stars who would like to try something more adventurous!*

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

**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 continued help and support.

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