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Dear Parents/Carers

As you may be aware, at the end of Year 4, all pupils are required by the government to complete a "Multiplication Tables Check". Under the National Curriculum, primary school children are expected to know their 12 times tables by the end of Year 4. This knowledge has been built up sequentially through the curriculum over the last few years and pupils are currently working hard to practise their fluency in school. The check will take place in the summer term and is completed online. It will take no longer than 5 minutes and will feature 25 questions which children have 6 seconds to answer each one in. There's no problem solving or division, just simple '3x4=' type questions.

Attached is a government information leaflet explaining all that you need to know about this 'check'. How can you help your child?

Practise and repetition are key to helping your child become fluent with times tables. All pupils are signed up to 'Times Table Rockstars' which is an enjoyable way for children to practise online. Other websites and apps, such as timestables.co.uk, are also great for both quick-fire practice and structured learning of facts. Making simple flashcards, counting up and down in multiples, reciting songs and rhymes (eg: Sing Your Times Tables With Percy Parker), are also quick and easy ways that you can help your child become confident and fluent.

Pupils who are confident and fluent with times tables when they enter year 5, are able to apply these facts to extend their learning and understanding of multiplication, division, fractions and percentages.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please contact either myself or your child's class teacher.

Kind Regards,

Miss Smallwood

Headteacher: Mrs Natasha Johnson

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