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Dear Parent/Carer,

### Times tables Rockstars

The importance of learning times tables can never be under estimated as a child's recall of multiplication facts has a huge impact on their ability to work fluently in many different aspects of maths. As from next year nationally all Year 4 pupils will be tested on their times tables up to 12x12. The national curriculum states the following of times tables:

#### National Curriculum Times Table Requirements

- Year 2** Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2,5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers.
- Year 3** Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3,4 and 8 multiplication tables.
- Year 4** Recall and use multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12x12.

To help all our children (Years 3-6) with this we will be sending home times tables to learn as part of their home learning and will be tested in a style that matches the way we teach maths during the week. These tests will be put in their planners for you to see how they are doing and to help you question your children in a similar way.

To help with the speed and recall of these tests we have subscribed to Times Tables Rockstars. It is an online program where the children can practise their recall of multiplication facts and take part in competitions against themselves and their peers. It would be really beneficial for your child to use this several times a week for at least 10 minutes to get them used to responding at speed. The first few times the children go on the program it will perform a baseline assessment (your child will need to play 10 rounds initially) so we can follow your child's progress.

By the time they reach Year 5 children should be fast and fluent with these facts and be able to recall them in a random order, as well as knowing the related division facts e.g.  $3 \times 6=18$   $18 \div 3=6$   $18 \div 6=3$

Four key game modes with Times tables Rockstars:



	SCHEDULE SET BY TEACHER	QUESTIONS UP TO 12 X 12
SINGLE PLAYER	<b>GARAGE</b> HIGHLY REWARDING - 10 COINS PER ANSWER	<b>STUDIO</b> EARN ROCK SPEED AND STATUS
MULTI PLAYER	<b>ARENA</b> COMPETE AGAINST YOUR CLASSMATES	<b>FESTIVAL</b> TAKE ON THE WORLD

Passwords and usernames will be sent out this week.

Yours sincerely

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