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Dear Parent/Carer,

Headteacher Mrs V. Kerr

You may be aware that there is a nationwide test for Year 4 children called the 'Multiplication Tables Check' (MTC). In preparation, we would like to take the opportunity to invite you to a 'Multiplication check' information session on **Monday 6th February 2023, 3:20pm - 3:35pm.**

### What is the purpose of the multiplication tables check?

- To determine whether Year 4 pupils can fluently recall their multiplication tables.
- To help schools to identify pupils who require additional support.
- There is no 'pass' rate or threshold.
- The DfE will create a report on overall results across all schools in England to measure improvements.

### When will the multiplication tables check be carried out?

- There will be a 2-week window in June for the administration of the check.
- There is no set day to administer the check.
- Children are not expected to take the check at the same time.
- All eligible Year 4 pupils in England will be required to take the check.

### Before the check

- Children can practise before taking the check.
- We will be practicing in school.
- At home, children should be accessing TT Rockstars soundcheck as often as possible as this emulates the test and gives a true idea of the scores they will obtain.

### Further tips

- Make times tables fun; Climb stairs counting in multiples, Play verbal times tables games, Listen to and learn times tables songs.
- Take it in turns to say different times tables in funny voices (i.e. say  $2 \times 3 = 6$  in a lion's voice).
- Play online maths games.
- Talk directly to your child's class teacher if you have any worries (try not to worry your child).
- Encourage your child to talk to you, their teacher, or another adult they trust, if they express persisting anxieties about the check. Remember that a small amount of anxiety is normal and not harmful.



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For more information and support, please attend our information session on **Monday 6th February 2023, 3:20pm - 3:35pm**. We look forward to seeing you there.

Yours Sincerely,

The Year 4 Team



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