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### Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

Dear Parents/Carers,

This June, children in Year 4 will take part in a statutory **Multiplication Tables Check**. Under the National Curriculum, primary school children are expected to know **up to and including the 12 times tables** by the end of Year 4.

The purpose of the check is to determine if your child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also allow staff in school to assess and support your child's learning.

#### The check itself:

- Will take place in the summer term in June, in a two-week window
- Will be completed using school iPads
- Can be completed one child at a time, in groups or as a class.
- Will take no longer than 5 minutes.
- Will feature 25 questions and children will have 6 seconds to answer each question.
- Will only include multiplication type questions such as '3 x 4 = '

The results of the test will not be published publicly and there is no pass or fail mark. The check will be discussed with the children beforehand in order to prepare and motivate the children however this will be done in an encouraging and supportive manner.

#### How can I help?

In primary school, times tables knowledge is vital for quick mental maths calculations and problem solving, as well as for many of the topics children learn in Years 5 and 6 (division, fractions, percentages). Children who know their timetables confidently are much more likely to be able to problem solve and reason with more confidence, speed and success.

You can help by:

- Regularly practising timetables at home in a fun and motivating way and asking your child questions such as "What's 7 x 8?"
- reciting times tables by rote (4 times 1 is 4, 4 times 2 is 8, etc)
- using apps and games (TTRS, NumBots, Mathletics)
- ensuring maths homework is complete weekly
- Using websites that mirror the same interface as the official check e.g.  
<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>  
<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>





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Please also find attached a Government Information Sheet for parents.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Thank you in advance for your support,

Mrs Hautenne

Acting Head of School





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### Further Useful Resources:

### The Key 36!

The 36 blue-highlighted facts below are deemed to be vital root facts in times tables. If children know these by heart, research suggests that they will be able to learn all the other facts in white much more easily!

1 × 1	1 × 2	1 × 3	1 × 4	1 × 5	1 × 6	1 × 7	1 × 8	1 × 9	1 × 10	1 × 11	1 × 12
2 × 1	2 × 2	2 × 3	2 × 4	2 × 5	2 × 6	2 × 7	2 × 8	2 × 9	2 × 10	2 × 11	2 × 12
3 × 1	3 × 2	3 × 3	3 × 4	3 × 5	3 × 6	3 × 7	3 × 8	3 × 9	3 × 10	3 × 11	3 × 12
4 × 1	4 × 2	4 × 3	4 × 4	4 × 5	4 × 6	4 × 7	4 × 8	4 × 9	4 × 10	4 × 11	4 × 12
5 × 1	5 × 2	5 × 3	5 × 4	5 × 5	5 × 6	5 × 7	5 × 8	5 × 9	5 × 10	5 × 11	5 × 12
6 × 1	6 × 2	6 × 3	6 × 4	6 × 5	6 × 6	6 × 7	6 × 8	6 × 9	6 × 10	6 × 11	6 × 12
7 × 1	7 × 2	7 × 3	7 × 4	7 × 5	7 × 6	7 × 7	7 × 8	7 × 9	7 × 10	7 × 11	7 × 12
8 × 1	8 × 2	8 × 3	8 × 4	8 × 5	8 × 6	8 × 7	8 × 8	8 × 9	8 × 10	8 × 11	8 × 12
9 × 1	9 × 2	9 × 3	9 × 4	9 × 5	9 × 6	9 × 7	9 × 8	9 × 9	9 × 10	9 × 11	9 × 12
10 × 1	10 × 2	10 × 3	10 × 4	10 × 5	10 × 6	10 × 7	10 × 8	10 × 9	10 × 10	10 × 11	10 × 12
11 × 1	11 × 2	11 × 3	11 × 4	11 × 5	11 × 6	11 × 7	11 × 8	11 × 9	11 × 10	11 × 11	11 × 12
12 × 1	12 × 2	12 × 3	12 × 4	12 × 5	12 × 6	12 × 7	12 × 8	12 × 9	12 × 10	12 × 11	12 × 12

### The Trickier Ones

The facts below are 'the stinkers'! These tend to trip children up the most, nationally. If they know these, they will be super-confident with the rest!

### Times Table Fact

11 x 12

7 x 9

7 x 8

6 x 7

11 x 11

6 x 9

7 x 7

8 x 9

6 x 8

4 x 8

