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Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check – June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

The multiplication tables check (MTC) is statutory for primary schools in the 2021/22 academic year. The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether pupils from Year 4 can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will help schools to identify pupils who have not yet mastered their times tables, so that additional support can be provided. Schools must administer the MTC to all eligible year 4 pupils between Monday 6 June and Friday 24 June, however are encouraged to administer the check within the first 2 weeks of the check window.

At Fair Field we support the Government's notion that times tables are essential for a child's future success in mathematics. As such, we will be carrying out the tests in the weeks commencing Monday 6th and 13th June.

The MTC is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times tables questions. Your child will answer 3 practice questions before moving on to the official check and will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete. Should it be necessary, they are entitled to repeat the test if there has been a disruption and the best score is taken.

There are several access arrangements available for us to use for children who may require this, and we will be able to ensure that these are appropriate for your child prior to the check in June.

As part of our usual practice, we ask that the children access Times Tables Rockstars a minimum of 3 times a week to practise their times. This, along with work in school, will ensure they are well prepared. Children who demonstrate an increased work ethic or who have improved their recall speed are recognised in our weekly F Factor assembly. In terms of preparing pupils for the on-screen nature of the MTC, all children will have the time to try it out and the children will be familiar with the process. In addition, as they regularly use TT Rockstars, they are used to completing times tables online.

If you have any concerns or queries, please speak to myself or your child's teacher.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Goodwin
Head of School