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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

We would like to take this opportunity to update all parents of Year 4 children at Horn Park on efforts to develop confidence in times tables.

The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is statutory for all year 4 pupils across the country. The National Curriculum states that all children should be confident with all times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Y4. Rapid recall of these times tables really gives all children an excellent foundation on which they can build a wide variety of mathematical skills.

The check involves all Year 4 children taking a five-minute, online quiz to assess their confidence in recalling and using these times tables. Please find a link to a government leaflet explaining the MTC in more detail here.

Current Y4 Children

The current Year 4s will do the check this year in the week commencing Monday 3rd June 2024. It will be done in small groups and the outcome of the check should inform both us as a school and you as parents as to where each child is in terms of times tables. We can then celebrate their successes and work together to identify and address any gaps.

Times Tables Rockstars

In the meantime, Year 4 children should be regularly engaging with their TTRockstars account. It has an excellent track record for improving times table recall and is great fun. One of the excellent features of TTRockstars is the 'Sound Check'. This is an online game set up in the same way as the MTC in June. Practising this way will help children to prepare for the MTC. If you have any challenges with accessing this at home, please do let class teachers know.

If you have any further questions about the MTC, please speak to the class teachers or a member of the leadership team

Yours sincerely

Mr Green

Deputy Head

