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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may remember after our parents evening discussion, the Multiplication Tables Check for year 4 children is happening between Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

**What is the Multiplication Tables Check?**

- The check includes 25 multiplication questions
- Questions cover times tables up to  $12 \times 12$
- There are 6 seconds per question
- The test is taken online during school time
- There is no pass mark
- Some children may be allowed pauses between questions, if needed

The questions are straightforward multiplication and do not involve problem solving.

**Why do children take this test?**

All Year 4 pupils in England take the MTC. It became compulsory in 2022.

The purpose of the check is to see whether children can recall their times tables quickly and confidently. This helps schools identify children who may need extra support. Secure knowledge of times tables also helps free up working memory, allowing children to focus on more challenging math's later on.

**How can you help at home?**

- Homework is set at 18 minutes weekly on TTRS
- Please encourage your child to play Times Tables Rock Stars daily, especially Garage Mode, which adapts to your child's needs
- 5 minutes a day is enough – little and often works best
- Keep practice calm and positive
- Praise effort, not just speed
- Stop if your child feels tired or frustrated
- Make it fun with games, chanting, or movement
- Mistakes help us learn – encourage another try

A copy of the **DfE** information will be sent by email to all Year 4 parents and carers, along with additional guidance about Times Tables Rock Stars. Please remember to check your email for the official information.

Thank you for your continued support.

P Monaghan

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Monaghan'.

Year 4 Class Teacher

