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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Times Tables Learning and Preparation for the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check**

As part of the national curriculum for mathematics, children are expected to develop rapid recall of multiplication and division facts. In **Year 3**, pupils are expected to **learn and recall multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4, and 8 times tables**, in addition to reinforcing their knowledge of the **2, 5, and 10 times tables**, which are introduced in Key Stage 1.

A strong understanding of times tables is essential for success in many areas of maths, including written calculations, fractions, and problem solving. That's why developing fluency in these facts is a key focus in Year 3.

By the end of **Year 4**, children will take part in the **Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)** — a statutory national assessment designed to ensure all children have quick recall of times tables up to 12 x 12. To support your child in building confidence and speed, regular practice is essential.

One of the most effective tools we use is **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)** — an engaging online programme that helps children practise multiplication facts in a fun, game-based environment. We strongly encourage children to use TTRS at home for **5 minutes daily** to support their progress.

How you can support your child at home:

- Encourage regular use of **Times Tables Rock Stars**.
- Focus especially on the **3, 4, and 8 times tables** throughout Year 3.
- Practise tables in everyday situations (e.g. counting objects, asking quick-fire questions).
- Celebrate effort and improvement to help boost confidence.

We are committed to helping every child achieve success in mathematics, and your support at home makes a significant difference. If you have any questions or would like ideas for additional activities, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your support.

Year 3 Team



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