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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 4 children will be taking a Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) assessment between the 10th June and 28th June 2019. This is an electronic test where the children will have 6 seconds to answer 25 questions, testing all multiplication facts up to 12x12.

The national curriculum specifies that pupils should be taught to recall the multiplication tables up to and including 12×12 by the end of year 4.

The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether pupils 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.

Throughout school, we regularly practise the times tables facts to ensure that the children can recall these facts quickly and fluently. As extra practise, during half term, we would like the children to practise their times tables as much as possible. Here are a few ideas of how this can be done:

Times Table fact sheets – accompanying this letter

Purple Mash – <https://www.purplemash.com/sch/tongemoor> Log on to Purple Mash (the children have their own personal login) and search “Multiplication” and click on the picture that looks like a calculator. The assessment section is similar to the actual test which will help the children to become more comfortable with reading and answering on a screen.

Hit The Button - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Speed Test - <https://www.timestables.co.uk/speed-test>

Mathszone games -

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/maths/timestable/interactive.htm>

If you would like more information go to the Government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/multiplication-tables-check-development-process>

Yours sincerely

Year 4 Team