

Dear Parent/ Carer,

In June 2024, all Year 4 children in England will sit the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC). This is statutory for all primary schools with the purpose of determining whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics.

Times tables knowledge is vital for quick mental maths calculations and problem solving, as well as for many of the topics children learn in more depth during years 5, 6 and beyond. Under the National Curriculum, primary school children are expected to know their times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4, so we will continue to prepare students to know their times tables throughout the year. The check will provide us with valuable information as to how our pupils are progressing with their times table knowledge.

We would like to invite all year 4 parents to an information evening about the Multiplication Tables Check on **Tuesday 5th December at 5:00pm**. During the meeting, we will explain more about the test, how we are preparing the children for it and what you, as parents, can do at home to support your child.

If you are unable to attend, the information from the evening will be put on our website for you to access.

We look forward to welcoming as many parents as possible.

Kind regards,

Adam Shirley and Suzie Blackhurst

Head of Year 4 Head of Maths