<u>Parent's and Carer's</u> <u>Information Meeting</u> <u>Multiplication Tables Check</u>



<u>Aims</u>

- To achieve a stronger understanding of what the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is and what the expectations are.
- To understand how, when and why the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) will be administered.
- To provide you with a range of strategies and websites you can use with your child at home



<u>What is the purpose of the</u> <u>multiplication check?</u>

The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether year 4 pupils can fluently recall their multiplication tables and are meeting the expected standard for their year group before moving to Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 and Year 6)

'By the end of year 4, pupils should have memorised their multiplication tables up to and including the 12 multiplication table and show precision and fluency in their work'.

It also enables schools to identify children who may need additional support, so they can access the demands of the Y5 and Y6 maths curriculum with success.



<u>When will the Multiplication Tables</u> <u>Check be administered?</u>

It will be taken by children in Year 4, in the summer term (during a three week period in June).

Schools will decide which day to administer the check.

Teachers will have the flexibility to administer the check to individual pupils, small groups or a whole class at the same time.





<u>How will the Multiplication Tables</u> <u>Check be administered?</u>

Children will be tested using an on-screen check (on a computer), where they will have to answer multiplication questions against the clock.

It will be automatically scored, and results will be available to schools once the assessment window closes at the end of the 3 week assessment period.





<u>How will the Multiplication Tables</u> <u>Check be administered?</u>

Children will have 6 seconds to answer each question in a series of 25 questions. There will be a 3 second pause between each question.

This allows pupils the time required to demonstrate their recall of multiplication tables, whilst limiting pupils' ability to work out answers to the questions.

Each question will be worth one mark and be presented to the child in this format: x =

The test will last no longer than 5 minutes and is similar to other tests already used.



The Questions

Each pupil will be assigned a random set of questions.

Children will only face multiplication statements in the check (not related division facts).

Pupils will not see their individual results when they complete the check.





How will the MTC data be used?

- School-level results and individual pupil results will be made available to schools. This will allow schools to provide additional support to pupils who require it. How will the MTC data be used?
- As is the case with the phonics check (KS1), school-level results will be available to selected users including Ofsted. They will not be published in a performance table.
- National and local authority results will be reported by the Department for Education (DfE) to track standards over time.



How can I support my child?

https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/maths/primary-multiplication-division/help-with-timestables/

Make times tables fun

- Play times tables games
- Listen to and learn times tables songs
- Climb stairs counting in multiples
- Games such as snap, matching card games
- Play online maths games SumDog/ Timestable Rock Stars









<u>Useful websites to practise for the</u> <u>MTC</u>

<u>https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-</u> <u>check/</u>

<u>https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/M</u> <u>ultiplication-Tables-Check</u>

http://www.maths-games.org/times-tables-games.html



Any questions...?

If you have any specific questions regarding your own child, please speak to a member of staff at the end of this meeting or at another convenient time.