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Dear Families,

There is a statutory assessment for Year 4 children called the “Multiplication Tables Check” which the children will take next term.

The check itself:

- Takes place from 5th June 2023 to 16th June
- Is an online test completed using a computer or tablet.
- Can be done one pupil at a time, in groups or as a class and takes no longer than 5 minutes.
- Will feature 25 questions, with children having six seconds to answer each question.
- Involves no problem solving or division, just times-tables questions (e.g. “3 x 4 = ?”).
- Has an emphasis on the 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12-times-tables, which form the majority of the questions.

There is no pass or fail mark. The results of the test are not published publicly. The information is for schools to ensure they provide the appropriate support where necessary.

Parents can help practise at home by:

- 1) Using Times-Tables Rockstar: All pupils have a login to the Times-Tables Rockstar app. If you don't have this, please contact your class teacher who can provide the login.
- 2) Keeping times-tables fresh in the mind by asking questions such as, “what's 7 x 8?” in the car or at home.
- 3) Helping children recite times-tables by rote (e.g. 4 times 1 is 4, 4 times 2 is 8, etc).

Accompanying this message is a leaflet about the Multiplication Check.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Nicki Cotton

Maths Leader

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