

Year Four Multiplication Check.

Parents information

What is the Multiplication Check?

- ▶ 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.
- ▶ It is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times table questions.
- ▶ Your child will be able to answer 3 practice questions before taking the actual check. They will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.
- ▶ Schools will have a 3-week check window in June to administer the MTC. Teachers will have the flexibility to administer the check to individual pupils, small groups or a whole class at the same time.

When is it?

The national times table check is a test for all year four pupils that takes place between the 6th and 24th of June 2022.

Why are times tables important?

Times tables are fundamental to support children and underpin everything within Maths. It is vital that all children know their multiplication facts up to 12×12 .

Memorising times tables makes it **far quicker and easier for children to work out maths problems in their heads**. ... This will help them to solve questions involving multiplication, addition, subtraction and division in their head, making the act of memorising multiplications a very worthwhile cause!

Access for all children

- ▶ There are several access arrangements available for the check, these can be used to support pupils with specific needs.
- ▶ Your child's teacher will ensure that the access arrangements are appropriate for your child before they take the check in June.
- ▶ The check has been designed so that it is inclusive and accessible to as many children as possible, including those with special educational needs or disability (SEND) or English as an additional language (EAL).
- ▶ However, there may be some circumstances in which it will not be appropriate for a pupil to take the check, even when using suitable access arrangements.

Will I find out my child's score?

Yes. Your child's teacher will share your child's score with you, as they would with all national curriculum assessments. There is no pass mark for the check

Example- this is very similar to the NTC.

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

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

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What can I do to support my child?

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/multiplication-tables-check-information-for-parents>

We would love for your children to practise with you at home so that they feel confident when completing the test.

Learn timetable songs - there are lots of YouTube and is a great way to start learning new tables.

Use a stopwatch to time each other answering quick fire calculations.

Encourage children to play Times table Rockstars as often as possible. Small 5 minute daily sessions will help children to learn times tables more than one long session a week. The soundcheck is very similar to the multiplication check.

Chanting their times table is an excellent way to learn them. They could do this each time they walk up the stairs.



Display a poster with all of the times tables facts on at home.

We teach lots of tricks to help the children remember the times tables. You could learn a trick together.



- Create flash cards with your children and let them play with friends, siblings, grandparents. They could write the answer on the back and test themselves.

