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Dear Parent/ Carer,

### **RE: Multiplication Tables Check- Year 4 pupils**

I am writing to you to inform you that pupils within Year 4 will be taking part in the statutory multiplication check (MTC) in June 2022. The purpose of the check is to determine whether pupils can fluently recall their times tables up to 12x, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help to identify pupils who may need additional support within the next academic year.

#### **What is the MTC?**

The MTC is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times tables questions. Your child will answer 3 practice questions before moving on to the official check and will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

#### **What if my child cannot access the check?**

There are several access arrangements available for schools to use, and teachers will be able to ensure that these are appropriate for your child prior to the check. There are, however, some circumstances in which it may not be appropriate for a pupil to take the check. If you have any concerns about your child being able to access the MTC, you should talk to your child's class teacher.

#### **Do I need to do anything to prepare my child for the check?**

You do not need to do anything additional to prepare your child for the check. However, as part of usual practice, please continue to practice times tables with your child at home. I have attached a useful link to the oxford owl website in order to view or download material that you may wish to help your child.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/maths/primary-multiplication-division/help-with-times-tables/>

In terms of preparing pupils for the on-screen nature of the MTC, pupils have access to a 'try it out' area where pupils are able to use this to familiarise themselves with the check.

Please see the link attached for a website that allows you to access a similar version of the multiplication check.

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/category/22/most-popular>

#### **How will the results be used?**

Although the MTC is statutory this year for schools, the performance data will not be published nationally and results will only be available to schools and local authorities. You will receive your child's results at the end of the academic year in line with their end of year school report in July 2022.

If you have any questions and would like to discuss the multiplication check, please contact the school office.

Alternatively, for further details you can also visit [www.gov.uk/STA](http://www.gov.uk/STA)

Kind Regards

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*The designated Child Protection Officers of the school are Mrs K Kassabian, Miss H Darley, Mr S Crawford, Miss S Harker, Miss C Preston, Miss H Simpson, Miss L Bolger and Mrs F Sorbie*

