



Honiton Primary School



Wednesday 21st November 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

As you may be aware, your child will be taking part in the multiplication tables check (MTC) in June 2025. This check is a statutory assessment for all Year 4 children to determine whether they can fluently recall their multiplication tables.

In school, we will be practising all the times table up to 12 x 12 and to support the children mastering their tables, we will be using Times Table Rock Stars. Times Table Rock Stars is an online maths programme that supports children in developing fluency and recall of multiplication and division facts. It is an engaging and fun way for the children to develop the skills that underpin the maths curriculum. When using the programme in school, the children are really enjoying it!

In order for the children to become fluent with their times tables, it is essential that they practise regularly. Short burst practice on a daily basis is more effective than spending longer practising once a week. So to support the children with this, we would like Year 4 children to complete Times Table Rock Stars, 5 times a week at home. This will replace Doodle Spell. Therefore, we will expect the Year 4 children to read at home at least 5 times a week (preferably daily and logged on Boom Reader), be in the Green Zone for Doodle Maths and to have completed five 15 minute sessions on the Garage game on TTRS a week. Doodle Spell is a great resource that you can still use at home if you want to, but this is now not compulsory.

In school, we are going to have a 'Rocker of the Week'. This will be someone chosen by Miss Emery, Mrs Wynne & Miss Buckingham who may have shown excellent improvements in their times table recall or someone who has been practising regularly.

We will be sending your child's login information this week and we ask that you discuss with your child when you are going to fit this in as part of their home learning. The children have been using the website and their login in school so they will be able to confidently access the Garage sessions needed to complete their home learning. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to us at the end of the school day.

Thank you for your continued support!

Miss Emery, Miss Buckingham & Mrs Wynne

