

Dear Parent/carer

I am writing to say a massive thank you to all of you who made our first Times Table Rockstar day so special. The children all looked amazing!

Having a secure knowledge of the times tables is vitally important for the children, as it helps them to work efficiently when calculating in all areas of maths. Children are expected to be secure in the:

- 2, 5 and 10 x tables by the end of Year 2
- 4, 8, 3, 6 and 12 x tables by the end of Year 3 (revision of 2, 5 and 10)
- 7, 9, 11 times tables and square numbers by the end of Year 4 (revision of 2, 5, 10, 4, 8, 3, 6 and 12)

In EYFS and Year 1 the focus is on counting rather than quick recall. In EYFS the children count in 1's and Year 1 the children count in 2, 5 and 10.

In the summer term each year, the Year 4 children participate in a statutory Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check; more information about this will follow. We would encourage all children to practise their tables as much as they can at home, whether on TT Rockstars or any other way. In EYFS counting objects in groups of 1 and in Year 1 practise counting groups of objects in 2, 5 and 10. For example, in 2's – shoes, 5's -one hand - fingers, and 10's-money.

If you need any support with this, please speak to your child's class teacher.

The TT Rockstars app can be downloaded onto any smart device but can also be played online. If you need more information about this, again, please contact your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Mrs Bower