

King Edwin Primary School

Head Teacher Mr Callaghan-Wetton
Fourth Avenue, Edwinstowe, Notts, NG21 9NS
Tel: (01623) 822111 Fax: (01623) 825707
E Mail: office@kingedwin.notts.sch.uk
Website: www.kingedwin.notts.sch.uk
Twitter: @kingedwisch #kingEdWINNERS



Dear Parents,

We (Year 4 team) are writing to you today to provide some information about the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC). The MTC is a statutory assessment that all Year 4 pupils in England will take in June 2024. The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether pupils can recall their multiplication tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics.

The MTC is an online test that pupils will take in school. They will be asked to answer 25 questions on times tables from two to 12. They will have six seconds per question, with three seconds rest between each question. The pass mark for the MTC is 25. This means that pupils must answer at least 25 of the 25 questions correctly!

Pupils who do not reach the pass mark will not be penalised. However, our school will be able to identify them as needing additional support with their times tables moving forwards into year 5 and 6.

I would like to encourage you to help your child prepare for the MTC. Here are some tips:

- Start practicing times tables early. The earlier children start learning their times tables, the easier it will be for them to remember them.
- There are many different ways to practice times tables. You can use flashcards, games, songs, or any other method that your child enjoys.
- Make sure your child understands the concept of multiplication. They should be able to explain why 6×7 is equal to 42.
- Be patient and supportive. Learning times tables can be challenging, but it is important to be patient with your child and offer them encouragement.
- We also have the very useful platform of Times Tables Rockstars (TTRS). We will be using this in school as well as teaching children their times tables. TTRS can also be accessed at home. 'Sound Check' area is most useful as it simulates the MTC conditions.

I hope this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact the class teachers if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Year 4 Team

