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Dear Parents/Carers,

You may be aware that from June 2020 the Government announced a new test for Year 4 children called the "Multiplication Tables Check". Here's what you need to know:

Under the national curriculum, primary school children are expected to know their 12 times tables by the end of Year 4. As a result, we've been preparing the children to know their times tables by the end of Year 4 for quite some time now and this will be a useful checkpoint.

The check itself:

- will take place in the summer term in June sometime over a one-week period from Monday 20th June 2022
- is done online using a computer or tablet
- will be done one pupil at a time
- will take no longer than 5 minutes
- will feature 25 questions and children will have 6 seconds to answer each question
- there's no problem solving or division, just simple "3 x 4 = ?" type questions
- during the test there will be an emphasis on the 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 times tables, which will form the majority of the questions.

The results are for the teachers. There is no pass or fail mark. The results of the test are not published publicly. They are for us to use so that we can provide the appropriate support where necessary. Your child's score will be given to you in a letter.

Practice at home: As Maths is such a big subject, and we will of course continue to teach the full curriculum, we will need your continued support to help practice the times tables with your children. Some easy ways to do this include:

- asking questions such as "what's 7 x 8?"
- reciting times tables by rote (4 times 1 is 4, 4 times 2 is 8, etc)
- using apps and games (see below about a resource your pupil has access to)
- singing times tables songs (there are loads online)

We would like to invite you for a meeting to discuss this further and answer any questions you may have. It will be held in 4S on **Thursday 17th March 2022 at 3.30pm**

Thank you for your continued support,

Year 4 Team

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