



Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check 2023

Presentation for Parents, Carers & Guardians

# Important information about multiplication tables check (MTC)

- The MTC determines if Year 4 children can **fluently** recall their multiplication tables.
- They are designed to help schools identify which children require more support to learn their times tables.
- Currently, there is no 'pass' rate or threshold which means that, unlike the Phonics Screening Check, children will not be expected to re-sit the check. However, 2023 guidance is yet to be released to determine this.
- The Department for Education (DfE) will create a report about the overall results across all schools in England.



## When the check will take place

- There will be a 3 week window in June for schools to administer the check.
- There is **no set day during this time** to administer the check and children are not expected to take the check at the same time.
- All eligible Year 4 children in England will be required to take the check.



## How the check is carried out

- The check will be **fully digital**. We will be using iPads to complete the check.
- Usually, the check will take less than **5 minutes** for each child.
- The children will have **6 seconds** from the time the question appears to input their answer.
- There will be a total of **25 questions** with a **3 second pause** in-between questions.
- There will be **3 practice questions** before the check begins.
- Any child requiring specific arrangements will be considered by the class teacher.



# The check questions

- Each child will be **randomly assigned** a set of questions
- There will only be **multiplication** questions in the check, not division facts.
- Children will not see their individual results when they complete the check.



## **How school is preparing your child for the check:**

- Every Year 4 child has been assessed so each class teacher knows which times tables they can fluently recall and those that they need more support with.
- They are working closely with a TA each morning to focus on gaps in their times table knowledge.
- Any child who is secure in all facts will be given an iPad to practise using the given format.



# How best to prepare your child for the check

- Remind them that the check should last no more than 5 minutes, 6 seconds per question
- If you or your child have any concerns, talk to your child's teacher.
- Practise times tables as much as possible with your child. You can use the following websites which are in a similar format to the check itself:
  - <https://www.timestables.co.uk/>
  - <https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>



Any questions?

Thank you for your time today, and for your continued support with you child's learning.

