



Mathematics in Year 4

The children are going to be directed to focus on times tables this year. As you may know, there is a statutory times table test towards the end of Year 4. Times tables provide a valuable foundation for calculation, arithmetic and mental maths as children continue to advance through the maths curriculum, and coming out of Year 4 with a confident knowledge of their tables will stand them in good stead going forward.

Times tables will be tested weekly throughout the year. There will be a focus each week which will be tested, as well as a general test of all tables. If your child is confident with the focussed times table, they can practice a later times table. If your child isn't as confident, it is better they secure a previous weeks' focus before moving on. Times tables are generally learnt in the order: 2s, 5s, 10s, 3s, 4s, 8s, 6s, 9s, 7s, 11s, 12s. We have all year to do this and will be practicing lots in school! For home, a suggestion for each week would be for the children to spend four sessions of around 5-10 minutes practicing them on Times Table Rockstars. If you would like a worksheet, please let me know via Arbor and I'll be happy to provide one.

We will be monitoring the progress of the understanding and recall of both multiplication and division facts and if we feel this is not improving, parents will be contacted and formal activities may be suggested.

Year 4 Autumn

Week	Week commencing	Focused Tables
Week one	6 th September	x 2 / doubling
Week two	13 th September	÷2 / halving
Week three	20 th September	x 5
Week four	27 th September	÷5
Week five	4 th October	x10
Week six	11 th October	÷10
Week seven	18 th October	Mix of x/÷2,5,10
	25 th October	Half term!
Week eight	1 st November	x 3
Week nine	8 th November	÷3
Week ten	15 th November	x 4
Week eleven	22 November	÷4
Week twelve	29 November	Mix of x/÷ 3 and 4
Week thirteen	6 th December	Mix of x/÷ 2,3,4,5,10
Week fourteen	13 th December	Mix of x/÷ 2,3,4,5,10