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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you had a lovely half term break. Next week, it is maths week in England and I wanted to take the time to talk to you about the benefits of your child being fluent with their times table and division facts. The quick recall of times table and division facts is a fundamental skill which links to many concepts taught throughout the maths curriculum from year 3 all the way up to year 6 so it is imperative that your child has a good understanding and quick recall of facts. At Holy Trinity, we understand that many children learn in different ways so I wanted to explain the many ways that you can support your child with their times table knowledge at home.

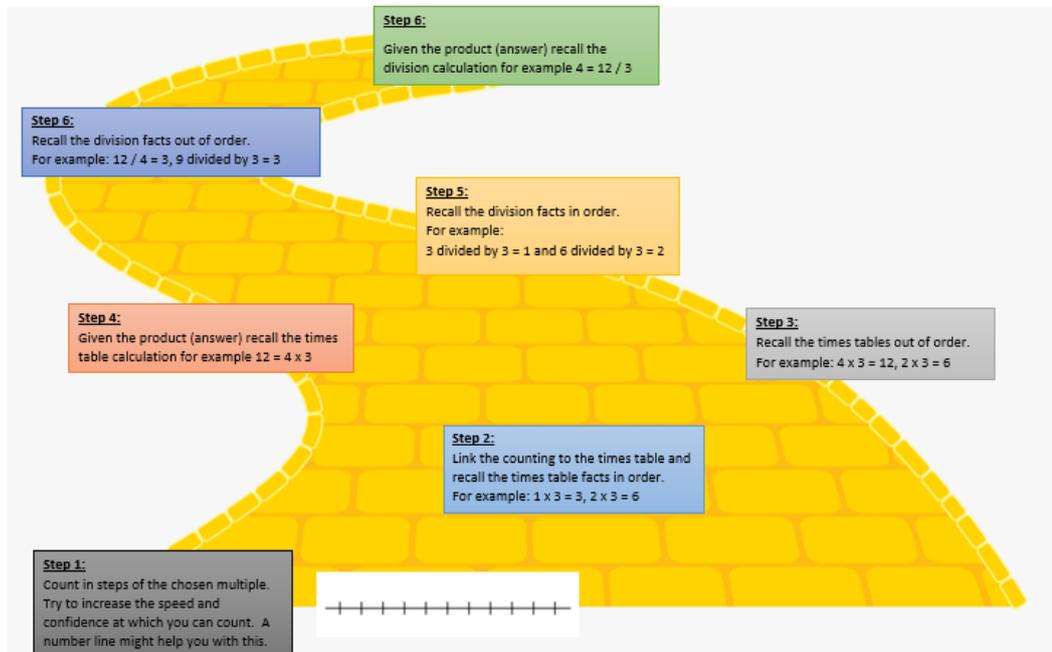
Please see below the expectations for each year group:

National Curriculum Expectations:

Year 2	2, 5, and 10 multiplication and division facts	The aim throughout the year is to improve the speed and accuracy of these fluency facts. There are many ways that your child can do this as listed below.
Year 3	3, 4, and 8 multiplication and division facts	
Year 4	All multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12	
Year 5	All multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12	
Year 6	All multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12	

Road to success in securing multiplication and division facts:

Follow the yellow brick road to being successful with your times tables and division facts



The above document will help to ensure that the learning of times tables is progressive. Please use this map at home to identify where your child is with their times table knowledge. This document should help you know where to start. We will also be using this in school.



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Times Table Rockstars: <https://trockstars.com/>

For the last few years, we have been using TTRS as a fun, engaging way for your child to learn their times tables. TTRS is an inclusive programme designed to improve the fluency of multiplication and division facts in a fun and interactive way. The aim is for your child to improve their rock speed, effort and correct answers.

At Holy Trinity we want to encourage and celebrate the success of the children so at the end of each month, I will be checking 3 different leader boards and the children will receive certificates for coming 1st, 2nd or 3rd within their year group. These names will also be listed in the golden book once a month, they will receive a certificate. In addition to this, each class has leader boards where their photographs will be displayed and changed.

Leader boards explained:

1. Coins (effort) the more you play the more coins you will win. Coins are awarded for every correct answer.
2. Rock Speed (speed) the more you play, the more confident you will be with answering the questions and therefore the speed in which you answer the questions should improve.
3. Correct Answers (accuracy) this will track how many questions you have answered correctly.

The certificates each month will ensure that everybody has a chance of winning a certificate as it tracks the greatest improvement in coins, speed and correct answers over 28 days rather than just the top scoring.

When you log in to TTRS, there are a number of different rooms that you can choose to play in. Please see the video below to find out what the different rooms do. **Game types on TTRS:** <https://youtu.be/4G-pFJNhI4>

Every year, TTRS launch a competition during maths week and that is next week. We have enrolled in 'London Rocks'. Please see the details below:

For Maths Week England we want to make maths exciting and high profile in our school. We will be taking part in a friendly competition involving schools from England from Monday 8th November to Thursday 11th November. It's all done online via play.trockstars.com.

For every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, your child will earn their class a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60-minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

All game modes (Gig, Garage, Studio, etc.) will count but only from games played between 7:30AM GMT and 7:30PM GMT on Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th. To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of 60 minutes per player. In other words, each player can earn competition points for up to 60 minutes between 7.30am and 7.30pm. Once the player goes beyond 60 minutes of play on a given day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high stress levels or impact on family plans. We suggest a limit of half an hour a day outside school hours – some will play more; some will play less. Thanks for your support.



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England Rocks 2021
Times Tables Rock Stars

Timings

Start date:	End date:	Daily open times:
8th November 2021, 07:30	11th November 2021, 19:30	07:30 - 19:30

Your school is now enrolled in this competition



Doodle Tables <https://students.doodlelearning.com/tables>

If your child is in year 3 or 4 or in a group with Mrs Mepham (except year 6), they will also have access to doodle tables linked in with their doodle account. When logging it to doodle tables, your child can choose which times table they would like to work on. Like the doodle maths homework, the times table questions will be displayed in a number of different ways which will help your child to recognise the same concept in lots of different ways. This doesn't have to be set by the teacher and is something they can use at any point at school or at home.

Singing:

If your child likes singing/music, then there are a number of songs online that can be used to help. You tube the below for ideas:

Times tables linked to well-known songs:

2 Times Table Song (Cover of Can't Stop the Feeling! By Justin Timberlake)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9C4EN7mFHCK>

4 Times Table Song (Cover of I'm Still Standing by Taron Egerton)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8QU_E0u-tP4

6 Times Table Song (Cover of Shake It Off by Taylor Swift!)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e7rYbk9PNuM>



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7 Times Table Song (Cover of Happy by Pharrell Williams) Easy Learn Skip Count

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5XT3vxohBg>

8 Times Table Song (Cover of Rolling In The Deep by Adele)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_BJjR9rdwA

Todd and Ziggy:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLaSZ7kwwxKqV9LMVo6h7Vx36mPybTo14B>

Kool Kids Times Table Songs:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLaSZ7kwwxKqWrWI-l0xs8ugp5fspBZiW7>

Percy Parker:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_zy534iRaPxlFdniQZr8Kg

Times table mash up:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EgiCLhoI9Mk&list=PLK3pz0C7hNF7hiHJEClS2L550e9oZwaxQ>

The Times Table Adventure:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=59LEMwcfIPE>

MTC Multiplication Tables Check ** Year 4 only **

The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is a key stage 2 assessment to be taken by pupils at the end of year 4 (in June) from the 2019 / 2020 academic year onwards. This hasn't happened yet due to covid but we are preparing for if it goes ahead this year. The purpose of the MTC is to make sure the times tables knowledge is at the expected level by the end of year 4.

The MTC is an online test where the pupils are asked 25 questions on times tables 2 to 12. For every question you have 6 seconds to answer and in between the questions there is a 3 second rest. Questions about the 6, 7, 8, 9, and 12 times table come up more often. The questions are generated randomly.

Pupils will not see their individual results when they complete the check but the school will be able to see their results in the form of a raw score. This data will not be used externally.

When we have more information on this matter, we will share it with you.

If you have any questions, please ask your child's class teacher in the first instance and if not ask the office to contact me. I hope that the above has been useful.

Many Thanks
Mrs Mepham



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