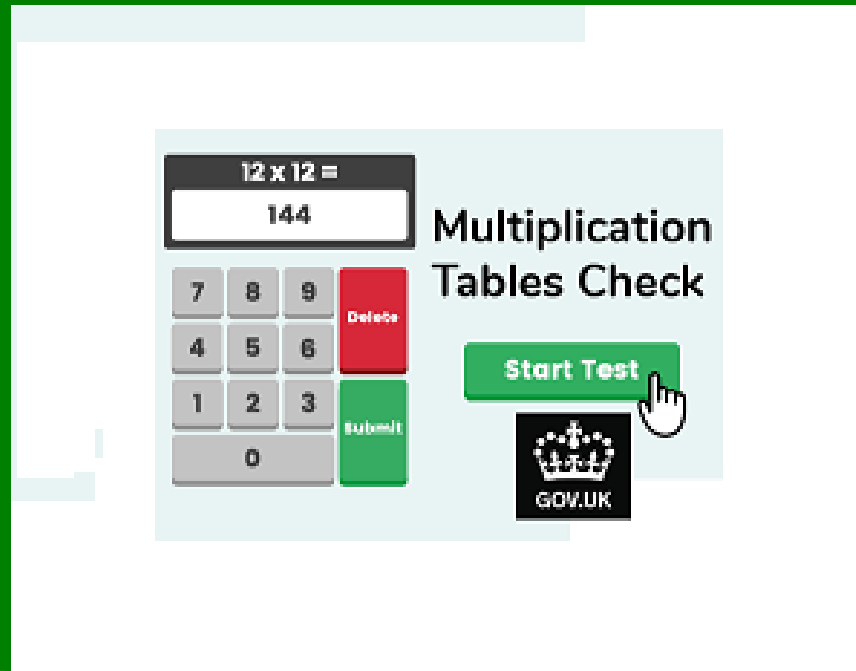


Multiplication Tables Check



What is the MTC? What is the purpose of it?

- The multiplication tables check (MTC) is statutory for primary schools in the 2021/22 academic year
- It assesses Year 4 children's recall and fluency of times tables, which is essential for future success in mathematics
- Helps schools to identify children who have not yet mastered their times tables so that extra provision can be put in place

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ct5cDctLVTI>

When is the MTC? How will it be administered?

- The MTC becomes available in June 2022 and the children will have a 3 week window in order to complete the check
- The school chooses whether to administer the checks individually, in small groups or as a whole class
- The child and teacher will decide upon how they would like to take the test – iPad, laptop or desktop computer. They will have been exposed to each of these throughout the year and will choose the platform they feel most confident on

What Bassett Green is doing to support your child

- Times tables are a part of every maths lessons – teaching of tables and recapping of facts
- Exposure to TTRS and other online platforms to practice times tables
- Weekly testing on tables including division facts
- Weekly homework set on TTRS with usage data monitored and children identified who are not accessing the platform
- Heat maps given to children each half term to inform parents of gaps in their times table knowledge

What Bassett Green is doing to support your child

- Baseline testing completed every half term with scores being recorded – this identifies children in need of more support
- After school clubs on TTRS
- Booster sessions during lunchtimes for those children identified
- Year group and whole school TTRS competitions with prizes for top earners/classes
- Extensive monitoring of children's data

How you can help at home

- Supporting your child with their times tables which they are on in class – your child should know but ask your CT if unsure
- Using the heat maps which are given to identify gaps in your child's knowledge – put these in a communal place and utilise any available opportunity to test
- Encourage them to complete their homework on TTRS – is there a routine you could get into? Play against siblings etc.?
- Question them/allow them to use their knowledge to help you

Strategies for recalling

- Doubling – linking tables together such as 4s and 8s
- Commutative – 5×9 is the same as 9×5
- Patterns – knowing all even numbers have even multiples
- Songs – lots of songs on youtube
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8QU_E0u-tP4
- Games – they love playing Bingo!
- Repetitive – keep going over them
- Opportune moments!



Times Table Rockstars

Times Table Rockstars uses algorithms to work out the correct tables for each child to be working on. When they get to a certain level, the questions change.

Each week homework is set on TTRS – this includes:

- Garage (x3) – practise sessions on their identified tables
- Arena (x3) – playing against classmates on identified tables
- Soundcheck (x1) – 25 questions on all tables

Times Table Rockstars



If you are feeling confident, you may have a go at a soundcheck to experience what it would be like for your child.

Thank you

We will be doing everything we can to ensure your child has the best opportunity to pass their MTC but we will need your support.

Please get in touch with your class teacher if there is anything else you need.