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AND RESOURCED PROVISION FOR HEARING IMPAIRED CHILDREN Headteacher: Mrs C Findlay

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Dear Year 4 Parents and Carers

As you are aware, the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is fast approaching. This will take place in school from 2nd to 13th June (immediately after the May half term break).

If your child is not secure with their times tables up to 12×12 , it is certainly not too late! Any work that you do on this will be so valuable for your child, both in their confidence to complete the MTC and – more importantly – in preparing them to keep up with the maths curriculum in Years 5 and 6.

Here is some guidance on what you can do at home to help your child:

- 1. **21** minutes of practice per week on TTRS is the 'magic number' to do well this is only 3 minutes per day! This is based on research that TT Rockstars have done.
- This is the schedule of which games TTRS suggests children should play throughout April, May and June in order to prepare them for the MTC: <u>April</u> – Soundcheck (3 games per week), Studio (3 games per week), Garage (15 minutes per week) <u>May</u> – Soundcheck (6 games per week), Studio (15 minutes per week)
 - <u>June</u> Soundcheck (21 games per week)
- 3. 'Soundcheck' games on TTRS are the most similar to the MTC so will prepare children well for what the 'real thing' will be like.
- 4. There are plenty of ways that you can practise without a device, too!
 - Try saying some facts before bedtime so that your brain can work on them overnight
 - Quickfire questions on the way to and from school
 - Write out a fact that you are struggling with and stick it on the fridge –
 you have to say that fact every time you open the fridge! (this also works
 with using the bath/toilet/front door/etc!)
 - Print out the attached poster and use it to help you practise (or just cut
 out the times tables that you need to learn and stick them somewhere
 that you will read them each day)

Many thanks for your support with this. Please get in touch if you would like more advice or if you have any questions about the MTC.

Kind regards,

Mrs James

Year 4 Lead