



Monday 7th October 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Times Tables Rock Stars Launch Day – Thursday 17th October 2024

On Thursday 17th October, we are thrilled to announce that we are having a Times Tables Rock Stars launch day. Time Table Rock Stars (TTRS) is an online maths programme that supports pupils with learning their times tables. It is proven to boost children's fluency and recall in multiplication and division.

During the Autumn Term, just KS2 pupils will be given a TTRS username and password. Pupils in Year 1 and Year 2 will not yet be fluent enough to use the programme at this point in the academic year. Log-in details for KS1 pupils will be shared later this year. TTRS will not be used by Reception pupils as multiplication is not a concept that is covered in the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum.

Pupils in KS2 will receive their log-in details before Thursday 17th October. They will have completed a baseline assessment at school which will enable them to play games tailored to their individual needs. Pupils are encouraged to use TTRS for just 3 minutes a day, 4-5 times a week. There is still an expectation that pupils primarily complete their Mathematics homework.

On Thursday 17th October, all pupils from Reception to Year 6 are invited to come in to school dressed as their TTRS rock star character. Here are some photos for inspiration:



There will be a KS2 assembly and pupils will be participating in games where they'll be playing against other pupils/classes in school to try and earn rewards through their knowledge of times tables.

Having a secure knowledge of the times tables is vitally important as it helps to work efficiently when calculating in all areas of maths. Children are expected to be secure in all tables up to the 12 x tables by the end of Year 4. In the Summer Term, Year 4 pupils will participate in a statutory Multiplication Tables Check. We would encourage all children to practise their tables as much as they can at home and believe TTRS will support this.

Included with this letter is an information leaflet for parents which explains the different games. Hopefully you will find this useful! You may also find these short videos supportive:

What is TTRS? <https://youtu.be/-ZxZbRVvbYM?si=CKhmveFE7rCGTLTn>
Game types of TTRS - https://youtu.be/jWAn_JxMrWo

We have added the link to TTRS onto the 'useful links' section on the school website. You can also follow this link to access trockstars.com

Thank you for your support,

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Maths Lead

