



St Paschal Baylon Catholic Primary School

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Following In The Footsteps Of Christ
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Dear Parents and Carers,

After the May half term, Year 4 pupils will be taking part in the national **Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)**. This is a short online test designed to assess children's recall of multiplication facts up to 12×12 .

The check consists of 25 questions, with pupils having 6 seconds to answer each question on an iPad. Children's scores will be reported to parents in their end of year report.

As we approach the finish line, we would greatly appreciate your support in encouraging your child to practise their times tables regularly at home. Different strategies work best for different children, and practice sessions do not need to be long or complicated. It could be as simple as chanting a times table together in the car on the way to swimming lessons!

Some useful ways to practise include:

- TTRS (Times Table Rock Stars)
- Super Movers songs on the BBC website
- Percy Parker songs on YouTube and Spotify
- Hit the Button app and webpage

Regular practice really does help build confidence and speed.

Finally, we are excited to announce that on Friday 5th June, Year 4 pupils will be taking part in our inaugural **Times Table Rock Stars Day!** This special event is exclusively for Year 4 children and is designed to give them a final boost before their Multiplication Tables Check. It promises to be lots of fun, with TTRS battles, times table games, and activities taking place both in the classroom and on the playground.

For the occasion, children are encouraged to come dressed in their best 'rock star' style! Pupils are not required to wear school uniform on this day and may wish to experiment with their hair to complete their rock star look.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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