Information for parents:

2023 Multiplication tables check



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Multiplication tables check

My child is in Year 4, what statutory tests will they take part in this year?

As part of the national curriculum, by the end of year 4, your child should be able to:

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12 x 12.

The (Department for Education) Standards & Testing & Agency created this check to determine whether your child is fluent in the recall of their times tables up to 12x.

Your child will be participating in the multiplication tables check in June 2023. Memorising times tables makes it easier for children to solve problems in their head and helps them to achieve greater outcomes in mathematics.

Completing this check will also help your child to get additional support if needed.

What is the multiplication tables check?

This is an on-screen check which consists of 25 times tables questions. Before starting the check, your child will answer 3 practice questions to familiarise themselves with the format and completion of the check. Your child has 6 seconds to answer each question (checking if they can quickly recall multiplication facts) and, on average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

What if my child cannot access the check?

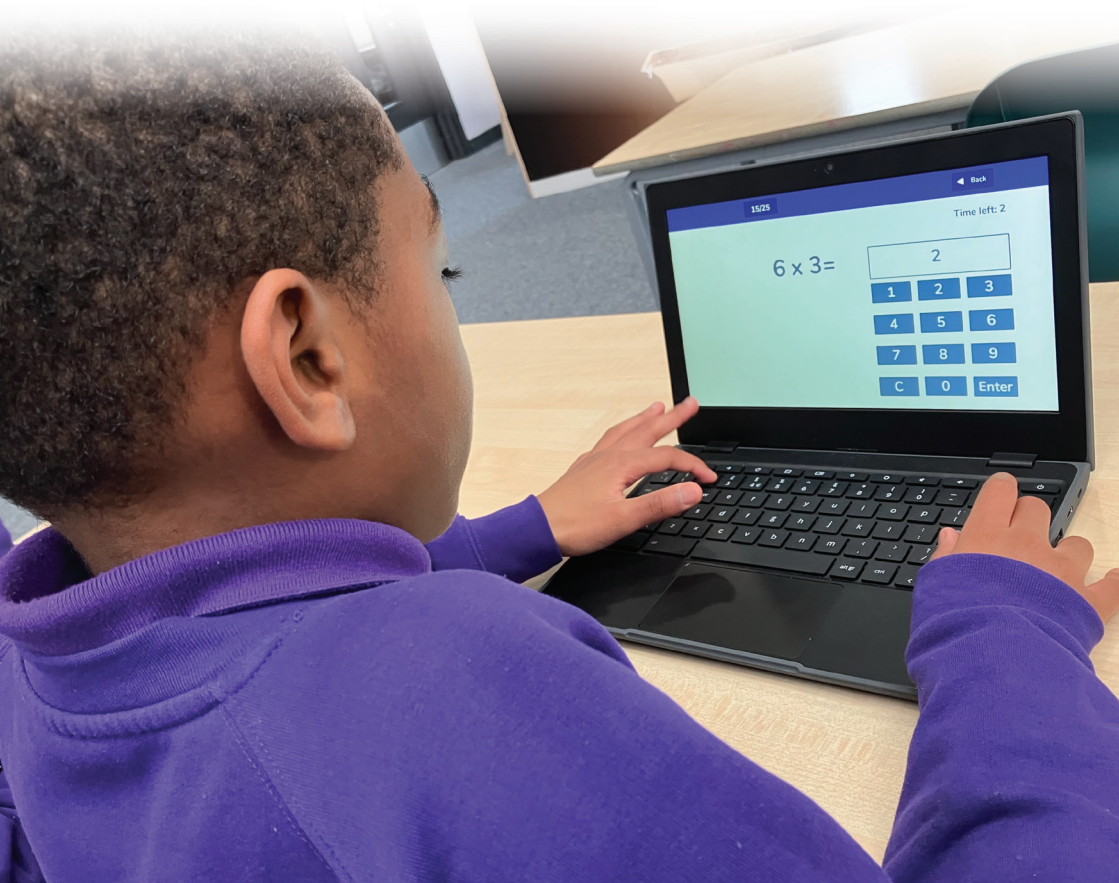
There are several access arrangements to meet specific needs available for the check that your child's teacher and members of SLT will have considered. These will be discussed with you (if appropriate) and these arrangements will be in place before they take the check in June. On occasion, there may be

some circumstances in which it will not be appropriate for your child to take the check, even when using suitable access arrangements. Again, you would be informed if this was the case but, if you have any concerns about your child accessing the check, please discuss this with your child's headteacher.

The multiplication tables check has been designed so that it is inclusive and accessible to as many children as possible, including those with special educational needs or disability (SEND) or English as an additional language (EAL).

What can I do to help my child prepare for the check?

As well as regularly reading at home, please encourage your child to log into Emile and practice their recall of times tables by accessing the games. When you watch them, you could identify particular times tables that they need to practice more and work on these.



How is the school helping my child prepare for the check?

In school, to help your child to secure their knowledge of the times tables, they regularly access Emile in school and complete checks on their progress. Teachers identify key teaching areas and support children where needed. Schools also have access to a 'try it out' area from April. They have the opportunity to use this to check that pupils have the right support required to access the test. This also helps the children to familiarise themselves with the layout of the check and try out access arrangements.

How will the results be used?

Schools will have access to all their pupils' results. The outcomes will be reviewed and additional support will be identified for pupils who need it.

Will I receive feedback on my child's check?

Your child's results score will be shared with you at the end of the year, as they would with all national curriculum assessments. There is no pass mark for the check.





Further Information

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about the multiplication tables check.

For further details, you can also visit the Standard & Testing Agency website www.gov.uk/STA

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