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Dear Parent/Carers,

Multiplication Tables Check

As you might know from the 2019/20 academic year onwards, schools in England will be required to administer an online multiplication tables check (MTC) to year 4 pupils. The national curriculum specifies that pupils should be taught to recall the multiplication tables up to and including 12×12 by the end of year 4.

The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will help schools to identify pupils who have not yet mastered their times tables, so that additional support can be provided.

To help the pupils at Falcon become fluent with the multiplication tables we have decided to, as a year group, adapt the way we teach and test the tables. As of Monday 14th we are going to have a focus on specific times tables, which will be taught and practiced throughout the week, in both maths sets and class. Every Friday the children will complete a 3 minute test which they will bring home so you can see how well they have done. We will record either their score or the time they completed the test in.

Please support your child to learn the times table each week through daily practice and playing on Times Table Rock Stars. On TT Rock Stars pupils can practice all their tables and they can go on "Garage" which will only be questions linked to the weekly times table focus.

I have included a table to show which timetables we will be focusing on each week.

The focus multiplication tables for this term will be:

Week beginning:	Multiplication Focus
14 th Jan	10
21 st Jan	2
28 th Jan	5
4 th Feb	3
11 th Feb	4
25 th Feb	8
4 th March	11
11 th March	12
18 th March	9
25 th March	6

If you have any questions, please come and speak to the Year 3 Team.

Yours faithfully

Becks Marpole

Maths Lead/ Year 3 teacher