

Dear Parents and Carers,

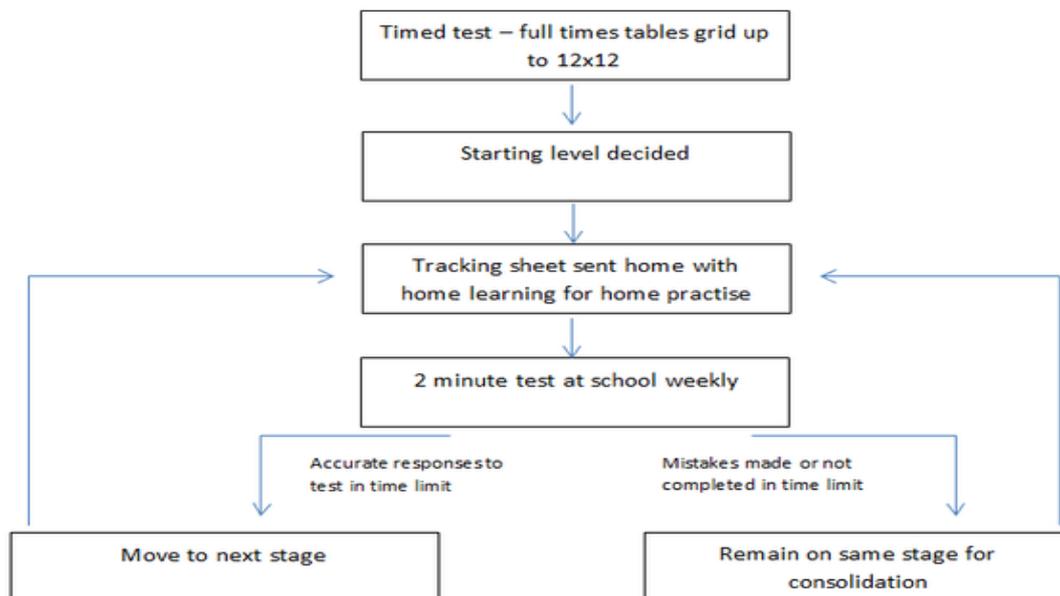
Primary Phase Times Table Challenge

During the Lent Term 2018, we will be making some updates to our Mathematics curriculum across the Primary Phase. The government has proposed that from 2019, Year 4 pupils nationally will be formally tested in all multiplication tables up to 12 x 12. We have therefore developed a Times Table Challenge, which will support our pupils' achievement of this.

The Times Tables Challenge has been designed to support the development and rapid recall of multiplication facts and their corresponding division facts. The challenge consists of 21 stages. These work progressively through multiplication facts and derived division facts, with a test at each stage to assess speed and accuracy.

Each stage has a tracking sheet (practise sheet), which will be taken home as home learning each week to be practised. Each pupil will be tested once a week, on the stage they have been working on at home, in a timed test of two minutes. If the test is completed accurately and within the time limit, the pupil will move onto the next level. They will take home the tracking sheet for the next level and they will practise at home as part of home learning. If the test is not completed accurately, or finished within the time limit, the pupil will remain on the same stage as the previous week. They will continue to practise at home – re-sitting the same timed test the following week.

All pupils will have the stage they are working at recorded on a chart in the classroom, which will help the Form Teacher, and the pupils, track their progress through the levels.



Yours sincerely,

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