

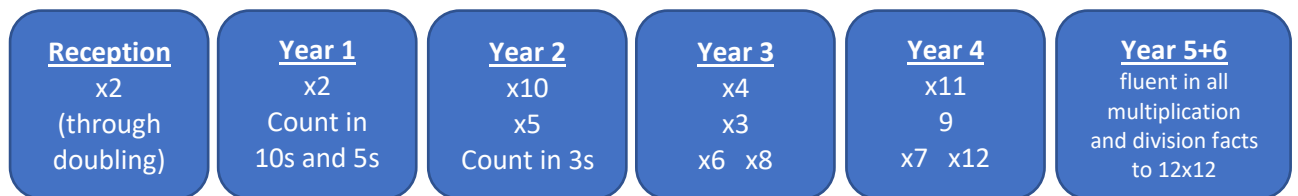
Times table fluency

Woodhouse Primary School subscribes to Times Table Rock Stars. TT Rock Stars is an online platform that allows children to practise the instant recall of their multiplication and division facts.

When learning times tables, both speed and accuracy are vital. Having fast facts at the tip of their finger tips helps children to complete harder calculations efficiently. TT Rock Stars is designed to help children master their times tables through a selection of fun and challenging games and tasks. To be a Times Table Rock Star they need to answer any multiplication fact up to 12×12 in less than 3 seconds!

In the same way as world famous musicians and bands are experts because of hours of practising, becoming an expert at recall of times tables takes time and dedication. Practice, practice and more practice is the key! Daily practice in short, sharp bursts has been shown to be the best strategy for children to learn these important facts.

At Woodhouse Primary School, times tables are learnt, practised and assessed in the following order to help children to make links:



In Key Stage 2, a weekly challenge is set (e.g. most coins earned), a leaderboard displayed and rewards given by class teachers for those children, classes or year groups who finish near the top of the leaderboard each week.



If you are looking for ideas of how to support your child's times tables development, browse the suggestions below:

- Download the Scatter Tables below. To use them, you call out a question from the times table you are focusing on and your child should point to the answer on the page. Your child should be trying to get them correct each time and not worrying about the speed.
- Write the focus times table out, initially in order and then in a random order
- Chant, rap or sing times table songs (try Percy Parker or MathsRockx)
- Ask your child to complete a TT Rockstars practise sheet that focusses on the table they are working on (again these can be downloaded below)
- Play TTRockstars online using the login card in your child's home school book.
- Use other online games such as Hit The Button to practise fast recall of key facts (<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>)