

TIMES TABLES

Parents' Meeting

WHY ARE TIMES TABLES IMPORTANT?

Times tables are crucial to children's understanding of:

area

fractions

division

multiplication

percentages

factors and multiples

Formal methods:

- short and long multiplication
- short and long division

prime numbers

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In last year's arithmetic SATs paper, nearly 70% of questions involved some kind of times tables knowledge.

In two years time, the government will be testing all year four children on their times tables.

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Children who know their times tables are more confident in maths lessons.

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

As a school, we are trying to raise the profile of times tables knowledge to improve performance in maths.

THE LEARN BY HEART PROCESS

All children at Girlington have a Learn by Heart target. These are maths facts that are often related to times tables. Children are expected to be able to answer a question within 5 seconds.

Learn by Heart targets work on a three week cycle. The first week is a practice week, where we do lots of practising in class. At the end of the second week, children are tested on their target and receive a certificate in their LbH book. In the third week, children who were not successful are given another opportunity to pass.

HOUSE POINT COMPETITION

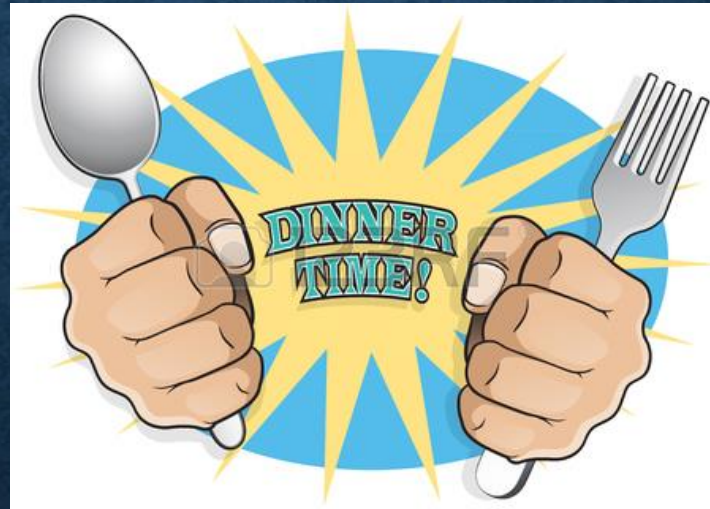
Children who pass their LbH test in the first week will be awarded two house points.

Children who pass their LbH test in the second week will be awarded one house point.

The house with the most points at the end of the term will be awarded a trophy.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

You can practise times tables anywhere!



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Times tables games

Website Games

Count out

Time Challenges

Quick Draw

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Ask your children about their learn by heart target, especially on Fridays. You could look in their LbH books or in their diaries for information about how they did.
- Keep practising times tables even if your child knows them so they continue to remember.

THANK YOU FOR COMING.