



**PRAE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
*Everyone Valued, Everyone Learning*

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Dear Parents / Carers

### **Times tables Rockstars**

Last month children in Years 5 and 6 trialled a times tables on-line maths game as part of the work in class as well as having access at home. It was a huge success both in school and as part of their weekly homework, and the speed and accuracy of their rapid recall significantly improved. For example, some children increased their baseline speed from 12 secs to 2.4seconds within just three weeks. Therefore, we have decided to buy into the programme as part of our maths curriculum and we would like to include Year 3 & 4 in these activities too. One of the reasons for introducing this is that the DfE are bringing in a statutory multiplication check at the end of Year 4 in 2020, which all children will have to complete in a set amount of time on-line.

For more information, please go to [www.trockstars.com](http://www.trockstars.com).

In order to use this in school and to be able to set tasks for your child's homework we will need your consent to set up an account. Please log onto your School Gateway account to give consent by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November so that we assign your child with their user name and password. All children will be shown how to log-on in class by their class teacher and how to access the relevant tasks and activities.

Each teacher will set their children specific timetables to practice and the hope is that you will encourage them to practice for just 3 minutes every day.

Please speak to either Miss Rogers, your child's class teacher or myself if you require further information.

Kind regards,

Jenny Sheppard  
Headteacher