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Dear Parents and Carers,



Re: Number Sense Maths

At the start of the Spring Term, we will be starting a new approach to teaching times tables in Year 3 and 4; this scheme has been written by Number Sense Maths.

When learning all 12 times tables, children must learn 144 calculations we are now going to be following a new approach which will be based on learning 36 key facts. This will ensure that children know their times table facts quickly and easily without counting up on fingers.

Children will still be learning their times tables up to 12x12, but we will prioritise the teaching of the 36 essential facts up to 9x9. These 36 facts are the essential building blocks for all the other mental and written multiplication and division calculations which the children will ever do -at school and beyond!

There will no longer be a weekly test, the children will have a daily 10 minute session in class. We will learn a few new facts at a time whilst still practising known facts. There is a display in the classroom so if a child does not know a fact they can copy it until they know it.

I will be holding a parent meeting next term if you wish to find out more about this times tables approach. More information will follow in January 2025.

Regards,

Miss S. Ingham
Maths Lead

