

Welcome Back

Welcome back to school. I hope you have all had an enjoyable six weeks holiday and have returned to school ready for a new year of learning.

Maths at Featherstone



We work hard at Featherstone to provide the best possible maths education to prepare your children for later life. As mentioned in our previous maths newsletters, we follow a system of teaching mastery in maths. The structure of learning is carefully crafted through concrete (practical objects), pictorial (using pictures) and abstract (formal written methods) methods to ensure children develop a deep understanding of the methods we use. We are

constantly working on our teaching practice and ensuring that the maths provision your children receive is

Preparing for the Year 4 times table check.

From June 2020, all pupils at the end of Year 4 will take an online multiplication check. The first year group to take part in this multiplication check will be the children in the **current Year 3** cohort. Please note that children who are currently in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will sit this check once they get to Year 4.

As per the National Curriculum, by the end of Year 4 children should be able to recall multiplication facts up to and including 12×12 . The check, which will be a short online assessment, aims to support pupils to master these required skills and to identify pupils who have not yet done so and therefore allow for further support to be put in place.

As always, at Featherstone we always strive to support every child in reaching their potential. Learning multiplication facts is already an important part of the school's curriculum and will continue to be so.



Mythical Maths and Fantastic Facts

This year we have a new and exciting scheme to support children in Year 2 (from the Spring term) to Year 6 in learning their multiplication and division facts. Every week, children will have a limited amount of time to answer multiplication and division questions. In order to pass each stage, children must answer all the questions correctly in the time that they have been given.



An overview of the stages has been given on the next page. In order to support your children passing each week. Please make sure you are practising their multiplication and division facts with them at home.

Finally, please keep an eye on our school newsletter for the dates of our maths workshops.



Mythical Maths and Fantastic Facts

Please see overview of stages.

Stage I – 2's		2 minutes
Stage 2 - 5's	Cornish	2 minutes
Stage 3 - 10's	Pixie	2 minutes
Stage 4 - 2's,5's, 10's	1 -	2 minutes
Stage 5 – 3's	Billywig.	2 minutes
Stage 6 - 4's		2 minutes
Stage 7 – 35 & 45		2 minutes
Stage 8 - 6's		2 minutes
Stage 9 – 7's	Bow truckle	2 minutes
Stage 10 - 8's		2 minutes
Stage II – 6's, 7's 8's		2 minutes
Stage 12 – 9's	Quany	2 minutes
Stage 13 – 11's		2 minutes
Stage 14 - 12's		2 minutes
Stage 15 – 9's, 11's, 12's		2 minutes
Stage 16 – mix multiplication	J L	2 minutes
Stage 17 – mix division	Niffler	2 minutes
Stage 18 – mix multiplication and division		2 minutes
Stage 19 – 13s		2 minutes
Stage 20 – 145	Remiguiss.	2 minutes
Stage 21 – 155		2 minutes
Stage 22 – 13's,14's, 15's		2 minutes
Stage 23 - × 10, 100 & 1000	Hippogriff	3 minutes
Stage 24 - ÷ 10,100 & 1000		3 minutes
Stage 25 - x ÷ 10,100,1000		3 minutes
Stage 26-16's	Welsh Green	2 minutes
Stage 27 - 17's		2 minutes
Stage 28 - 18's		2 minutes
Stage 29 - 19's		2 minutes
Stage 30 - 16's, 17's, 18's,19's	1 [2 minutes
Stage 31 – Time trial	Thunderbird	As quick as possible