

## Stannington First School

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Dear Parents and Carers

## Welcome to Times Tables Rock Stars!

At Stannington First School, we recognise that **Mathematics** is essential to everyday life, critical to science, technology and engineering, and necessary for financial literacy and most forms of employment.

We aim to provide a high-quality mathematics education with a mastery approach so that all children:

- become fluent in the fundamentals of mathematics
- reason mathematically
- can solve problems by applying their mathematics

To help our children achieve the fundamentals we have decided to sign each child from Year 1 to Year 4 up to this <u>website</u>. Please refer to log on details for your child overleaf. There is a big drive in Maths for children to be fluent in their times tables and related division facts. These skills can be applied in all areas. The Government have introduced times tables test for every Year 4 child across the country in the summer term (starting from summer 2020) and it is important that the children are prepared for this. The teacher set the times table to be practised each week. Please encourage and support your child using this site so that they grow in confidence using their times tables whilst becoming a "Rock Star".

## How to get the most out of it

World famous rock musicians are the best at what they do because they've spent hours practising guitar chords, writing music or playing on the drums. It's just the same with times tables — all Times Table Rock Stars need to practise and practise and practise. It's essential that your child does a little bit of times table practice every night. Short bursts of daily practise are more effective than spending hours once a week.

And this is where you come in. For your child to be fully motivated and for them to get the best out of the practice, they need your help. Without your praise and your reminders, without you sitting down next to them or checking their work, practising times tables will not feel important to your child. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Tunesi Maths coordinator















