Multiplication Tables Guidance

At Bladon, we recognise the importance in children becoming fluent in their multiplication tables (also known as times tables) and believe that being able to instantly recall multiplication tables is an essential mathematic skill. Instant recall and understanding of multiplication tables supports children with spotting number patterns and connections within mathematics as well as being able to quickly and efficiently recall multiplication facts to help them solve problems.

National Curriculum Expectations and Order of Learning:

By the end of Year 2: Children can recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables.

By the end of Year 3: Children can recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables.

By the end of Year 4: Children can recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12 × 12.

Strategies and useful websites to support the learning of times tables at home:

- Times Table Rockstars (all children have their own school accounts which they can use at home. If your child does not know their login, please ask the class teacher for it). https://ttrockstars.com/
- NRICH Multiplication Square Jigsaw https://nrich.maths.org/5573/note
- Other NRICH games and resources https://nrich.maths.org/8956
- Learning through chanting the times tables and times table songs. The children really enjoy the BBC Super Movers videos which you can find here for Key Stage 1 https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/ks1-maths-collection/z6v4scw and here for Key Stage 2 https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/ks2-maths-collection/z7frpg8
- Multiplication Bingo- choose a times table and ask your child to draw a bingo grid and write down 6 numbers in those times table. Then, ask your child multiplication questions and they can cross off the number if they have the answer. Here is an online link https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?f=BingoMultiplicationv9
- Tables Fables https://www.tablefables.net/ (Parents can subscribe)

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

In Year 4, the children complete a Statutory Multiplication Tables Check. The purpose of this is to identify if children can recall their times tables fluently. An information for parents guide is attached to the Mathematics Policies and Guidance section of the curriculum for further information.