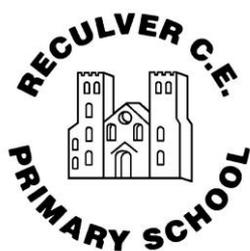


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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will be aware, we have a new National Curriculum from September 2014. One of the new requirements is for children to know some mathematical key instant recall number facts at a far earlier age.

In order to help you support your child, and ensure that they are on track to reach the new requirements age appropriately, we are letting you know some of the new requirements for multiplication, so that you can help your child practice the facts over the summer holidays, if you wish.

The new national requirement for multiplication is

Y1: Pupils know their number bonds to 20 (ie: $15 + 5 = 20$, $20 - 8 = 12$) and doubles facts to 20 (ie: double 8 is 16, double 12 is 24)

Y2: Pupils know the multiplication and division facts for the 2,5,10 times tables with all the division facts. (ie: $7 \times 5 = 35$, $35 \div 5 = 7$ $35 \div 7 = 5$)

Y3: Pupils know the multiplication and division facts for the 2,3,4,5,8,10 times tables with all the division facts.

Y4: Pupils know their 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12 times tables, up to $12 \times$ a number, with all the division facts.

As you can see, the expectations have been raised within each year group. Although all of the tables facts should be known by the age of 9, we find that many children in Year 5 and 6 still need to work on these. For those children who do know their tables well, they need to start learning associated facts (ie: $7 \times 5 = 35$ so $350 \div 5 = 70$)

We have published some helpful information booklets on our website, under 'Home Learning' for you to print off at home to support this learning.

We are also sending home a blank maths book, for your child to practice in. It is not necessary to return this at the start of the new term however, and this work is not compulsory.

Thank you, as ever, for your support.

Mrs J Ashley-Jones

Deputy Head

