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Dear Parents and Carers,

At Bloxwich Academy, we want all of our pupils to have great recall of the times tables so that they make good progress in mathematics. Confidence in mathematics can often be traced to slow recall of times table facts, which are the bedrock of mathematics.

Through our Maths Challenges, certificates and lessons, children achieve well in mathematics. However, we are always striving to achieve more and recognise that parents are supportive of this too. Because of this, all children in KS2 now have access to Times Table Rockstars to help them practise their times tables.

Contact your child's teacher if...

- **You have username or password issues**
- **Something isn't working or you're not sure how it works**
- **You have a complaint or a suggestion**
- **You have something nice to say about ttrackstars.com!**

Times Table Rockstars is an online programme for times table practice that is both effective and motivational. It gives children the access to improve their speed of recall and, should they wish, to compete against their classmates and children around the world.

When it comes to times tables, speed and accuracy are important – bursts of daily practise are more effective than spending hours once a week. This is where you come in...

Please encourage your child to play the game at home regularly over the next few weeks to develop a regular habit that will assist their mathematics, just as daily reading helps propel their reading and writing. Without your praise and your reminders, and without you sitting down next to them checking their work, practising times tables will not feel important to your child.

Times Tables Rockstars can be easily accessed with internet browsers or alternatively with phones and tablets using the Times Table Rockstar app. For internet browsers, visit <https://ttrackstars.com/> for apps, visit the App/Play Store.

To celebrate Times Table Rockstars, we will also be holding a Rockstar Day on **Friday 18th October** when children can come to school dressed as rock stars!

Over the course of the next few weeks and months, with regular use of the games, your child will get faster and more accurate with the times tables. All your hard work and theirs will make them a Times Table Rock Star!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. S. Davies
Headteacher