

In the new National Curriculum, it is expected that the children should confidently recall and use the multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12×12 , by the end of KS2.

As you will be aware, maths homework now consists solely of times tables practice.

To encourage regular practice both at home and school, we have subscribed to <https://trockstars.com> to help the children recall their tables.

They will also have the opportunity to practise in school, particularly those children who do not have internet access at home. The children will be given a username and password by their class teacher, and will be able to choose a rock star name and avatar when they first login.

This first lesson will take place in school, so that they are ready to practise at home.

They can play a solo game to earn points and increase their recall speed or can play live against other users.

They can choose from:

GARAGE (single player) – times tables are restricted to those set by the teacher. Roughly 1 in 5 questions are division.

STUDIO (single player)-unrestricted, i.e. questions from 1×1 up to 12×12 are possible. Roughly 1 in 5 questions are division.

ARENA (multi player) – restricted to those set by the teacher. Roughly 1 in 5 questions are division.

FESTIVAL (multi player)-unrestricted, i.e. questions from 1×1 up to 12×12 are possible. Roughly 1 in 5 questions are division.

Their progress will be regularly assessed and monitored. This will be through frequent short written tests in school, and by monitoring their use and performance online.

Teachers can select the tables the children can access to practise and look at the results of their games. All of the tables will use facts up to $12x$. The children will see them as a multiplication or division statement.

If you would like further information about TTRockstars please click on the 'Guides' tab and choose 'Getting started' or 'Benefits and features' on the website.

If you have any queries about TTRockstars or would like other resources to enable you to practice times tables at home with your child then please speak to your child's class teacher.

Many thanks for your on-going support

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