

## Kea Community Primary School

Wednesday 4 March 2020

## Dear Parents/Carers

We are working very hard in Years 3 and 4 at the moment on learning and practising the multiplication tables which are an important tool to have in moving maths learning forward. Having a firm and instantaneous response to tables will help children work quickly and confidently in many areas of maths.

As you are probably aware, children in Year 4 are now expected to complete a national test involving all tables up to 12x12. The questions are delivered via computer and the children have six seconds to answer each one. The questions are random multiplication and division facts – "Gold Level" on our Kea School tables card.

Here at Kea, children all have a personal tables target, and children are tested regularly by our amazing team of parent volunteers. It is, however, really important that the children practise at home. I have been asked by a number of parents how they can best help their child learn tables, so I am going to hold a workshop for parents on Tuesday 24 March at 3.30 pm. A crèche will be available, and it is expected that the workshop will last roughly half an hour.

This is primarily aimed at parents of children in Years 2, 3 and 4, but everybody is welcome especially parents of older children who still struggle with tables.

I do hope you will be able to join us.

Yours faithfully

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Mathematics Co-ordinator.