Dear parents/carers,

The national expectation is that children can recall all multiplication facts up to  $12 \times 12$  by the end of year 4.

To further support the recall of multiplication tables, we are introducing a times table passport. We will introduce it in classes from year 3 to year 6 at a level appropriate to the children. In year 2, where it will begin in subsequent years, children will have to apply for the passport. They will receive their passport when they can confidently show that they can double numbers up to double 12. Each week, the children will take part in mental or written assessments. Once they have achieved full marks on the written and the mental assessments three consecutive times for each, they will have passed that multiplication table and will move on. The tables are grouped and linked to a continent on the passport. The first continent is Europe and is linked to the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. After passing the 2s, 5,s and 10s, the children will complete a final mixed assessment before moving on. The second continent is Asia with the 3s, 4s and 8s, followed by Africa with the 6s, 7s and 9s, followed by Oceania with the 11s and 12s. These will be followed by America, where the children will be challenged to complete ultimate mixed times table assessments.

We will be introducing/starting this after half term. The passports will go up each year with the children until they are complete.

If you have any questions regarding the passport, please speak to your child's class teacher.

