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Dear Families,

We are excited to inform you that **John Rankin Schools** will be using **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)** to help develop pupils' rapid recall of multiplication facts from **Years 2 to 6**.

As part of our commitment to improving times table fluency, children will be expected to use TTRS as part of their weekly homework. We recommend that pupils complete **5 to 10 minutes of practice each day** to support the development of quick and accurate recall of multiplication facts.

In addition, pupils in **Year 1** will have access to **NumBots**, an engaging online programme designed to develop fluency in number bonds, addition and subtraction. Year 1 teachers will use NumBots to supplement homework. Pupils across **Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2** may also engage with NumBots as appropriate to support their number fluency.

Pupils' engagement and progress on TTRS and NumBots will be monitored by their class teacher, and there will be opportunities throughout the year for children to be recognised and rewarded for their efforts and achievements.

Your child's login details will be stuck in their **Reading Record/Junior Diary**, and a letter containing further information and guidance for parents will be sent home on **Friday 25 September** in your child's homework folder.

Thank you for your support in helping your child develop these essential mathematical skills.

Kind regards,

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