

Remember! Times tables are important!

In year 7 you will have the opportunity to take part in the **Grand Master** times tables challenge and by the end of year 6 you should have a good understanding of times tables. Let us have a look at the importance of times tables; you will see that times tables help you save time and money, help with making repairs and cut down on stress. Here are just a few reasons why multiplication is important in everyday life:

Calendars

Whether you need to work out the days of the week, the weeks in a month or the months in a year you will multiply. If you have a good understanding of your times tables this will come easily and naturally, you won't even realise you're doing



Memory

We memorise every day, your brain is like a computer. Whatever you put into it will probably stay there a long time. Choose to fill it with a great life skill like multiplication. Using your memory skills regularly is like a workout for your brain.



Decorating your space



Whether it's measuring for curtains, carpets or hanging wallpaper, you'll use your times table skills to work out how much fabric or rolls you'll need. Get it right and you'll save £££

Building Blocks

Knowing your times tables will help you with the building blocks of moving getting ahead with maths, building higher learning skills like division, fractions and algebra!



Career choices



Whether you want to be a chef, an engineer, go into nursing, pharmacy or continue in education you will need to use your multiplication skills for a range of activities such as creating recipes, drawing up building plans, measuring and understanding medicines and medical equipment and teaching others.

Travelling



Whether it's working out connecting flights, estimating times of arrivals and distance travelled or converting your money to different currency, you'll use your multiplication skills.



Photography

When doing photography, you will use maths and multiplication. You will be looking at angles, depth, perspective, and resizing. All of which will use your multiplication skills.

Minimising stress

When you understand multiplication, you can reduce stress levels by being able to work things out independently and not having to rely on others to do it for you.



There are a range of Times tables resources online and you can also ask your maths teacher for practice booklets and other Times tables activities that are available in school.