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Dear Parents and Carers,

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

Times Table Rock Stars is a fun and challenging programme designed to help students master their times tables. You will still need to support your children to actually learn the times tables and you can do this the same way that you learn spellings at home, but a few minutes a day of TTRS will help enormously with fluency and accuracy.

Please read below how you can get the best out of TT Rockstars.

Gig and Garage

- All children have their times tables set to 'Automatic' Mode so that they can progress through the tables at their own pace.
- Periodically, children will play a Gig game which is a five minute assessment to see which times tables the children are confident in.
- As learners go through a Gig game, they're tested on the 10s, 2s, 5s, 3s, 4s... etc in a more-or-less age-expected order. TTRS uses this performance data from each of the tables to decide which tables a child needs most practise with when playing the Garage mode.
- By playing Garage, the tables are suited to the child's needs to practise for the next Gig. If you are finding that a child's times tables are too easy in this mode then that will be because they were not able to answer those questions in the Gig assessment. The best thing to do is to wait until the next Gig (they come every 30 or so levels) and then make sure your child is focused to ensure their results are accurate.
- Garage is best for getting quicker at a few facts. Players get 10 coins per question. It includes multiplication and division questions.

Studio

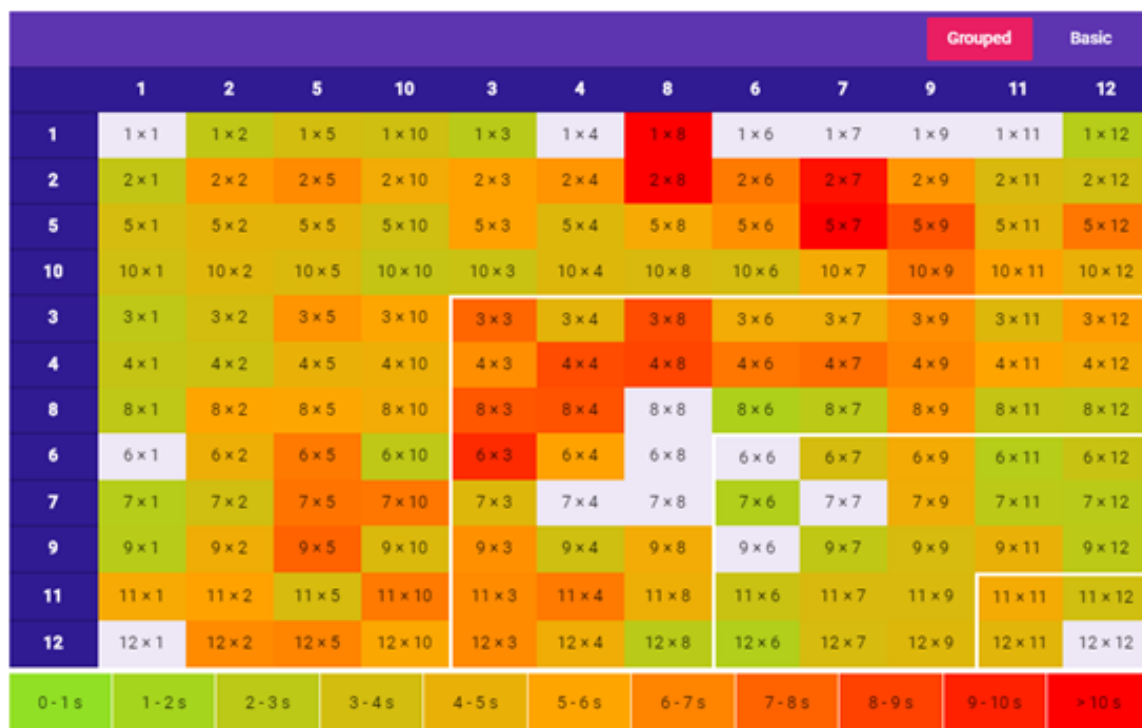
- The questions in Studio can be anything from 1×1 up to 12×12 .
- TT Rock Stars calculates the mean response time from a child's last 10 games in Studio and translates that time into a Rock Status. Pupils earn one coin per correct answer when playing in this mode.

Soundcheck

- When you play Soundcheck, you get 25 questions with a 6-second time limit. The questions are multiplication only and evenly weighted in terms of difficulty each time you play. They mimic the Year 4 Multiplication times tables test that the children take in June of Year 4.

Statistics

- If you click on your child's avatar icon in the top right of the screen and then click My Stats, a heatmap like the one below will load. It shows how successful your child is at each of the facts.
- You can use this heat map to pick out which times tables need more practise.



Your class teacher is able to see how your children are progressing at each times table and can support you if you have any questions.

Many thanks,

Ms Spreckley
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