



# Oakham Primary School

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Dear Parents & Carers,

After this half-term break, we will be launching the 'Times Tables Rock Stars' online home learning platform for Years 2-6. We are discontinuing access to 'Mathletics' as TTRS will become the home learning platform for Oakham.



To launch Times Tables Rock Stars at Oakham, we will be having a 'Dress as a Rock Star' day on Wednesday 5th November 2025, where children will be introduced to how the online platform works, our expectations with accessing it and awards they can achieve.

Although TTRS will be used by children in Y2-6, we would like the younger children to be part of the fun too, so everyone is invited to take part in the non-uniform day!

Children can dress as their favourite pop or rock star to help get in the mood – there is no charge for this day and face paint, coloured hair or even wigs are welcomed!

During the day, children will also be taking part in some fun times-tables based activities in class and will be given their log-in details to begin accessing it at home.

Times Tables Rock Stars is an award-winning platform created by an innovative team of maths teachers, who are passionate about improving maths outcomes for young people. It is safe and easy to play on any device and on the go, with specific settings and features to make sure it is accessible to all learners.

It is used to improve multiplication and division fluency by making the practice of times tables engaging through a rock and roll theme. It boosts math confidence, cuts down on mental maths delays, and builds a stronger foundation for more complex mathematical concepts.

## What are the Key benefits of TTRS?

- **Improved fluency and recall:**

The timed games and daily practice help children build speed and accuracy in recalling their times tables.

- **Increased confidence:**

Mastering times tables can significantly boost a child's confidence in their overall maths abilities.



- **Better mathematical foundation:**

A strong grasp of multiplication facts is essential for other areas of the maths curriculum in all year groups, such as fractions, percentages, and algebra.

- **Personalised learning:**

An algorithm adapts to each user's pace, and progress can be tracked to identify gaps in learning. Teachers can also set times tables specific to the children's age and ability.

- **Engaging and fun:**

The rock and roll theme, customisable avatars, and different game modes make practicing less like a chore and more like a game.

- **MTC Check:**

It will help children gain speed and confidence for the Multiplication Tables Check that all children complete in Year 4.

The various game modes allow children to challenge themselves to test their speed and accuracy with a timer and compete against their classmates and players worldwide in live games, in order to improve their 'Rock Status', all while earning coins to customise their online avatar as they progress.

Which game modes/times tables the children will have access to will be managed by the teacher, so it is adapted to suit the children at their stage of development with times tables, in line with the National Curriculum.

Children's engagement with Times Tables Rock Stars and progress they make in maths will be celebrated with opportunities to earn certificates, house/dojo points and a half-termly 'Rock Hero' award.

Rock on!

Mr Mills

*Oakham Maths Lead*

