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Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our ongoing Maths learning, pupils in Years 4 and 5 will focus on important Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) this term. These facts are essential for developing speed, confidence and fluency in calculations.

Year 4 KIRF: Know multiplication and division facts for the 6 times table.

Year 5 KIRF: Know the square numbers up to 144 (12^2) and cubed numbers up to 125 (5^3).

To support your child at home, you could try:

- Practising little and often for five minutes each day.
- Asking quick-fire multiplication and division questions for the 6 times table.
- Using TT Rock Stars for regular practise.
- Chanting the 6 times table forwards and backwards.
- Asking related questions, such as: "If 6 × 7 = 42, what is 42 ÷ 6?"
- Using Lego or counters to make square numbers, e.g. 4 × 4 = 16.
- Making matching cards for square and cubed numbers, e.g. 5^2 = 25 and 3^3 = 27.
- Asking quick-fire questions such as "What is 8 squared?" or "What is 4 cubed?"
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Regular practise at home will help your child develop confidence and fluency, which will support them when completing more complex calculations in school.

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

Kind regards,

Sarah Marlow
Kestrels Class Teacher