



All Saints' C.E. Primary School

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The New National Free School Meals Voucher Scheme.

This will be introduced from Monday 18th January for primary school children not attending school and eligible for income related free school meals.

In addition to this we have a group of volunteers willing to donate extra food and household items. Please contact school to register interest. All enquiries will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

Changes to in-school provision

Thank you for the prompt responses to the letter dated 11.1.21.

Thank you also to parents that have made alternative arrangements to ease the pressure on school. We are so grateful to you for the personal sacrifices you have made in the interests of the wider school, given that we are in the midst of the most dangerous phase of the pandemic.

Please can all parents requiring in school provision email headteacher@allsaints-alrewas.staffs.sch.uk by **2pm on Friday of the preceding week** to let us know the exact days that your child needs to be in school.

All staff are working incredibly hard to ensure continuity and progression for your children, in a stressful and constantly changing time. I am sure you will join me in thanking all members of the team for their commitment, flexibility and enthusiasm.

In-school provision

We have had to remodel in-school provision, for the safety of all members of our school community, as the need for places is still very high. From Monday 18th January we will move to single year group bubbles. There will be one member of staff in each bubble.

Blended learning

- **English, maths and wider curriculum learning will continue to be posted daily on Showbie for pupils in school and at home to follow.**
- Children in school and at home follow the same curriculum; planned and resourced by their class teacher.
- Early Years children will have four Phonics Zoom sessions, with their class teachers.
- For children in years 1 to 6 learning at home, there will be three English and three maths Zoom sessions, plus an additional session each week linked to the wider curriculum with their class teacher.
- Children in school, in years 1 – 6, will be taught by their class teacher two days a week.
- For the remaining three days a week, children in school will dial into English and maths Zoom lessons with their class teacher and be supported in their

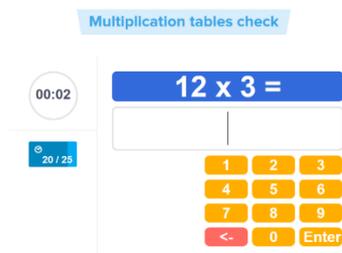
learning by a Teaching Assistant. For example, Year 2 children in school will work with Miss Beaumont Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and access English, maths and wider curriculum Zoom lessons with Mr Tyson. On a Thursday and Friday, they will be taught by Mr Tyson. Year 2 children learning at home will have Zoom lessons and share learning with Mr Tyson and Mrs Felton via Showbie on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

- On the two days that teaching staff are delivering in school-provision, they will check messages on Showbie but will not give any detailed feedback.
- Staff will be online 3 days each week, fully supporting learning at home. During this time, they will deliver Zoom lessons and respond to work that is posted on Showbie. To further support learning at home, mark schemes for maths will be posted to offer clear answers and enable the marking of work at home.
- If you have an urgent query, please email: headteacher@allsaints-alrewas.staffs.sch.uk

Showbie

We appreciate how hard you are working at home. Once again, I thank you for your engagement with home learning, both with the Zoom lessons and with the learning that is posted on Showbie. We love to share the children's work and offer support where needed.

How can I support my child at home with their maths?



<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

- Each game takes a maximum of 2 minutes 30 seconds to complete.
- The children should be encouraged not necessarily to answer in the quickest time but take most of the 6 seconds allocated time frame, thus improving the accuracy of answers.

Try out your Multiplication Tables

Learn your [Multiplication Table](#) with these quizzes:

Two Times Tables	Three Times Tables	Four Times Tables
Five Times Tables	Six Times Tables	Seven Times Tables
Eight Times Tables	Nine Times Tables	Ten Times Tables
Eleven Times Tables	Twelve Times Tables	Thirteen Times Tables
Fourteen Times Tables	Fifteen Times Tables	Mixed Times Tables

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/timestable.html>

- Multiple choice answer selection.
- Can target specific times tables.



How to access Times Tables Rock Stars:

1. The online programme can be accessed using the following link: <https://trockstars.com/login>
 2. Please select our school's name: All Saints' CE Primary School, Alrewas
 3. Enter your child's unique username and password (please contact your child's teacher should you require this information).
- There are a number of initiatives/ games that your child can enjoy including:

Studio

- Questions asked are up to 12x12.
- The aim is to develop the speed of recall so children have to keep playing to try and reduce their recall speed based on the last 10 games.
- Helps to measure the overall speed on all the times tables. A mean score will be calculated based on your last 10 games. It is your speed that determines your 'Rock Status.' (Rock Star - 3 seconds and under, Rock Legend - 2 seconds and under, Rock Hero - 1 second and under per question).

Festival

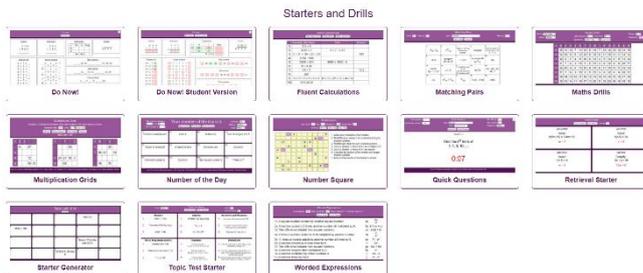
- Questions are up to 12x12.
- The aim is to compete with others from around the world and after 1 minute see on a leaderboard where you came and your average speed to answer.
- A new festival starts every 15 seconds and roughly 1 in 5 questions are division related.

Garage and Arena

These options will be managed by your child's class teacher who will set weekly differentiated times table challenges that match their ability.

MathsBot

<https://mathsbot.com/starterMenu>



- Short games/ question activities to recap and consolidate learning.
- Encourages children to make links, identify patterns and establish connections.
- Better suited for older children.