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Dear Parents,

Unbelievably, we are now at the mid-point of your child's time in their current year group.

We are enjoying seeing the good progress made and are proud of each child's individual achievements.

In our recent Maths sessions based on multiplication and division, it became apparent that a lack of times tables knowledge is creating a barrier to progress for some children. The expectation in the National Curriculum is that children know the multiplication facts for all times tables, up to 12×12 , by the end of Year 4. We are working on this during morning tasks, starters in Maths sessions as well as a weekly test. Your children are expected to practise their times tables throughout the week. On the Red Barn website, under the Useful Websites page, you will find links to websites that are suitable for this.
<http://www.redbarnprimaryschool.co.uk/children/useful-websites>

There are plenty of websites that provide interactive and engaging games for children to practise and it would be greatly appreciated if you could support your child in doing this. Of course, there is the traditional method of pen and paper if the websites are not available.

Thank you to the children that auditioned for Red Barn's Got Talent and we wish the best of luck to the three children voted through to the next round. Fingers crossed...

Have a peaceful half-term and thank you for your continued support.

Vikki Haden-Brown Gavin Bater

Year 5 and 4 teachers