## How To Get Started On Times Tables Rockstars and Numbots

All the children in the school have been signed up for both these online resources, so they can access both as you feel appropriate. Please read the information below to help you decide how your child would most benefit from using one, or both, of them.

## **NumBots**



This site is primarily for Y1-4 as it focuses on number sense leading to mental addition and subtraction. These are vital skills, which we need our children to be confident in and fluent with, so time spent on these activities will be invaluable and your child will enjoy them. It begins slowly but it becomes more challenging as children progress through the levels.

The game has two play modes which serve different purposes:

<u>Story Mode</u> - helps to build their understanding of different concepts. It is set out as a series of Stages (Rust, Tin, Iron etc) containing levels. The first stage, Rust, is unlocked so everyone starts there. Stages unlock as your child becomes ready for them.

<u>Challenge Mode -</u> focuses on rapid responses to essential facts and simple sums against the clock. Challenge Mode is locked until your child reaches a certain level in Story Mode. Challenge Mode has 20 levels and each level only unlocks when your child can correctly answer 12 questions in a minute.

This resource is at <a href="https://play.numbots.com/">https://play.numbots.com/</a>

Click on 'schools' then 'pupils' then enter our postcode PL242PT

You will be asked for your child's username and password and these are the same ones as the children use for Times Table Rockstars. If you need a reminder of these, or your child is in Year 1 and has not yet been given their details, please use your class email address to contact your teacher, who will be able to supply them for you.

## Times Tables Rockstars



As the name suggests, this site is all about gaining confidence and fluency with times tables - multiplication and division, whilst having fun. Though all the children have been signed up for the site, it will probably be of most benefit to children from Year 2 to Year 6.

The children sign in to the site: <a href="https://play.ttrockstars.com/">https://play.ttrockstars.com/</a>

Click on 'login' 'school' then 'student' and enter our postcode PL24 2PT, Your child's username and password are the same as for Numbots.

Once your child has chosen, or generated, their rockstar name, they will be ready to get started.

 $\underline{\text{Year 2}}$  - Children will need to play in the 'Garage', the class teacher can set which tables the children play.

Year 3/4- Sound check or garage can be played.

<u>Year 5/6 - Studio/ Garage or Soundcheck are suitable.</u>

If you have any queries please contact your class teacher via your class email.