



Dear parents and carers,

I'm delighted to inform you about a new service we're using to support your child's maths education. The creators of Times Tables Rock Stars have produced a platform for boosting addition and subtraction skills, called NumBots.

NumBots is an online game and playing little and often will significantly improve your child's recall and understanding of number bonds and addition and subtraction facts.

Logging In.

Children can use their existing Times Tables Rock Stars log-in details (hopefully they can remember these and I know that many classes have written them down in their reading contact books!).

Children should use the NumBots website <https://play.numbots.com> .

Once on the site, click on the green arrow, then click on the schools logo, enter the school name (it will pop up before you finish typing), click on Hoo St Werburgh and Marlborough Centre details and then the sign in page will appear. This is where children should enter their TTR details.

Little and often.

In order to get the best out of NumBots, children should regularly play for short bursts at a time. Ten minutes a day will help your child secure these vital number facts and compliment their learning at school.

Game Types

1. **Story Mode** – the emphasis is on learning the ideas and concepts behind addition and subtraction so it features more diagrams, shapes and question styles.

2. **Challenge Mode** – the emphasis is more on speed of recall of key facts, like number bonds to 10, doubling small numbers or adding & taking away in your head.

We hope the children find this additional resource fun and engaging!