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Dear Parents / Carers

## WORLD MATHS DAY

This year we will be taking part in World Maths Day, which is on Wednesday 3rd March, 2010. All children at Fairlands, from Year 1 to Year 6, will have the opportunity to participate.

The official World Maths Day challenge involves students from all over the world, playing against each other in real time battles of mental arithmetic, using the World Math Day game engine. The level of difficulty of the questions varies according to age.

In order to give pupils the opportunity to practise for this event, we have registered each class and set up individual accounts. With this letter, pupils will bring home a card which gives details of their user name and password. The website address is www.worldmathsday.com. Just go to the site, and click on "click here to sign in", enter username and password and this will move you through to the games.

I realise that not all pupils will have access to the Internet in their homes and, with this in mind, children will be given some time during their class ICT sessions during school time to practice.

You could also use the Internet at your local library. Make sure your child remembers to take his/ her log on details.

As well as the official challenge, we plan to celebrate World Maths Day at Fairlands on Friday 12 $^{\text {th }}$ March with a number of other Mathematical activities, investigations and competitions.

If you have any questions about this then please either contact the school office or go to the contact section on the Fairlands website and email Miss Bridge.

Yours sincerely


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