

Homework

Each week the children are required to complete homework. This includes reading with your child. Homework might also include questions to investigate as well as more traditional pieces such as spellings.

Monday	15 minutes reading	Please make sure you know your Times Tables!
Tuesday	15 minutes reading	This half term your child will be completing homework on 'The Ancient Egyptians'. The idea is to develop research and presentation skills and to aid motivation surrounding our Ancient Egyptian theme in English. In maths homework this half term will be completed through www.mymaths.co.uk Your child will be given a log on and password shortly.
Wednesday	15 minutes reading	
Thursday	15 minutes reading	
Friday	15 minutes reading	Spellings—for following Friday Maths and English are given on alternate Fridays and must be returned the following Friday.

Reading - Your reading book must be in school every day. You are expected to change your book regularly. Please ask the people you read to at home to initial your Reading Record after you have read because it will be checked. You should write the title, author, start and completion date and comment in your Reading Record – not the people at home who look after you!

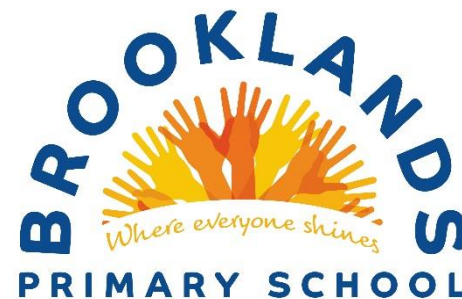
Extra Curricular - Clubs will be available – details to be announced.

Uniform - It is important that as well as trying our best we also look our best. Please make sure that the correct school uniform is worn—details can be seen on our website under 'Information—School Uniform and Dress Code'.

Attendance - Every lesson counts! Please allow your child to develop by attending school each day.

Important Dates – Thursday 22nd September – visit to Derby Museum 'The Secrets of the Mummies'.

The Year Four Brooklands Team



Year Four



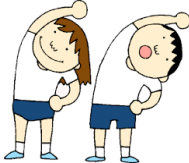


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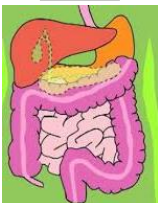



Autumn One
2016

Mr Bingham
Miss Leivars

Welcome back after the Summer holiday!
We hope you have all had a good rest and are
ready for a fantastic year.
Here is what we will be learning this half term:



Subject	Learning Challenge: How can we rediscover the wonder of ancient Egypt?
History 	Children will be asked the question 'How can we rediscover the wonder of ancient Egypt?' During half term they will be exploring different aspects of ancient Egyptian history - ranging from pharaohs to mummies and much more! Investigating the past, children will build up a picture of ancient Egyptian life from the differing viewpoints of the wealthy and poor.
Art and Design Technology 	As artists and technologists, we will be using our knowledge of experimenting and combining materials to construct 3D forms. The children will also be undertaking the ancient Egyptian process of mummification in a Design Technology project as well as creating a death mask worthy of a pharaoh!
PE 	<p>The Dynamic Draconis will be swimming all term and experimenting with dance movements to 'Walk Like an Egyptian' along with the Resilient Rockets who will also be footballing and learning to play non-contact rugby.</p> <p>PE sessions will be on Mondays and Tuesdays in Resilient Rockets Class and on Mondays and Thursdays in the Dynamic Draconis Class.</p> <p>Children will need their kit in school. If your child wears earrings they will need to take them out. Children are welcome to bring jogging bottoms, sweatshirt and trainers to help keep warm. If, for any reason, they are poorly or unable to do PE they will need a note from home before they are excused.</p>
PSHE 	Based around 'Getting On and Falling Out' the theme offers the opportunity for children to see themselves as contributing to shaping a welcoming, safe and fair learning community for all. Throughout the half term we will explore friendships, seeing things from another point of view, working together, managing feelings of anger and resolving conflict.
Music 	Children will be learning to play a woodwind instrument this year through the Derbyshire Music Partnership 'Wider Opportunities' scheme. They will look at rhythm and notation and learn further music skills. We hope to give a performance to parents at the end of the year.

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English 	This half term the children will be reading the award winning book 'Ancient Egypt: Tales of Gods and Pharaohs' by Marcia Davies. Children will be investigating the structure, organisation of narrative myths from ancient Egyptian culture. Poetry during the latter part of the half term allows the children to focus on alliteration and rhyme as well as performance skills within English.
Mathematics	Please refer to our website for details of National Curriculum 2014 to see the National Expectations for children in Year Four.
Science 	As scientists, the children will be exploring the internal organs that make up the human digestive system and identifying the functions of the digestive system! Later in the term the children will be investigating all things food chains including feeding patterns, predators and prey and constructing their own food chains.
Computing 	During the first part of the half term children will be learning how to stay safe on the internet in Computing. They will then move on to the process of carrying out different searches on the internet in order to investigate the acquisition of information.
RE 	As theologians, the children will be using their enquiry, exploratory and reasoning skills to investigate a range of beliefs, teachings and wisdom from different communities. Children will discuss and apply their ideas through examining ethical questions focusing on what is right or wrong.
French 	As linguists, the children will be asking the question: Où vas-tu? The children will be speaking, reading and writing (using simple sentences) about transport, weather and their personal likes and dislikes.

