

## 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.

<b>Monday</b>	15 minutes reading	Please make sure you know your Times Tables!
<b>Tuesday</b>	15 minutes reading	This half term your child will be completing homework on different parts of the world. The idea is to develop research and presentation skills and to aid motivation surrounding our theme across the curriculum.
<b>Wednesday</b>	15 minutes reading	
<b>Thursday</b>	15 minutes reading	Maths homework will be completed through <a href="http://www.mymaths.co.uk">www.mymaths.co.uk</a> , which your child has a login and password for.
<b>Friday</b>	15 minutes reading	Spellings – for following Friday Maths and English are given alternate Fridays to 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!

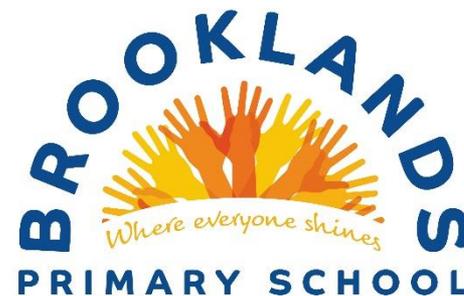
**Extra Curricular** - Clubs will be available – details to be announced. Regular letters will be sent with important dates.

**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.

**Extra Dates** – We will be visiting St Laurence Church before Easter to tie in with our RE topic.

The Year Four Brooklands Team



Year Four

Parent Newsletter

Spring 2 2017

Miss Leivary  
Mr Worrall

Welcome back after the half term holiday!  
We hope you have all had a good rest and are ready for the new half term of the school year.

Here is what we will be learning:



Subject	Learning Challenge – All around the world.
<b>Geography</b> 	<p>During this half term the children will be travelling across planet Earth via the Great Glass Elevator!</p> <p>The children will become learning explorers travelling around the wide and wonderful world, stretching from the icy tundra to the blistering tropics! We will be investigating why people are attracted to living in cities and villages around the globe.</p>
<b>Art Design</b> 	<p>This half term we will be creating street scenes in the style of LS Lowry. The children will focus on creating a mood through their art using perspective and representing figures and forms in movement.</p>
<b>PE</b> 	<p>Netball and swimming are the order of the day this half term, particularly focusing on working within a team as the children strive to achieve a team goal!</p> <p>PE sessions will be on Mondays and Thursdays in Dynamic Draconis whilst the Resilient Rockets will begin swimming on Mondays and also have a PE session on a Monday afternoon.</p> <p>Children will need their PE 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>
<b>PSHE</b> 	<p>This half term in PSHE children will be learning all about how their body and emotions change as they approach and move through puberty. A large focus will be on children's emotional health and giving them the tools to understand their emotions.</p>
<b>Music</b> 	<p>Children will continue to learn their flute or clarinet with the Derbyshire Music Partnership 'Wider Opportunities' scheme. They will look at rhythm and notation and learn further music skills. They will also have the opportunity to take part in a music workshop with other schools in Derbyshire and the Halle Orchestra.</p>



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<b>English</b> 	<p>This half term the children will be focusing on the ways we use writing to entertain. Children will weave a suspenseful tale exploring mood, story dynamics and tension using the Wolves in the Walls and Lost Happy Endings.</p> <p>Children will also unleash their poetic flair investigating, discussing and creating various poetic forms including tanka, haiku and cinquains.</p>
<b>Mathematics</b>	<p>Please refer to our website for details of National Curriculum 2014 to see the National Expectations for children in Year Four.</p>
<b>Science</b> 	<p>As scientists, this half term the children will be exploring how vibrations from sound travel through a medium to their ears. Children will also compare sources of sound and explain how the sounds differ.</p>
<b>Computing</b> 	<p>Children will be using their computing skills to become expert coders in control of their own robot! They will also be experimenting with different variables to control a range of models.</p>
<b>RE</b> 	<p>As theologians the children will continue to explore why Easter is an important time for Christians. We hope to fit in a visit to St Laurence church just before Easter.</p>
<b>French</b> 	<p>In French, the children will continue their work on Sleeping Beauty, putting together a simple play, for which they will write the script. They will also continue their use of adjectives to describe people, including their friends and family.</p>