

Homework

We prepare homework tasks for the children to complete if they want to. The tasks will be available on a Wednesday for you to collect from the classroom. The homework is not compulsory but will support the children's learning. Please return any completed homework to school the following Monday unless it is a long term project which will have its own deadline date.

Reading

During the next week all the children will receive a reading book to be shared at home. The books will not have words in them as the first skill the children need to practise is to use pictures to tell a story. Please make sure you write in their reading diary when you share a book with your child so that the staff will know when they are ready to change their book. Staff will check books on a Monday and a Thursday and any that need changing will be changed. Please make sure your child puts their reading book into the Reading Bag box in the classroom and not on their peg. We are also sending home an Oxford Reading Tree matching game.

Talent Tree

We have a Talent Tree in our cloakroom area to celebrate the children's achievements outside of school. Please share their achievements by writing on one of the leaves and hanging it on our tree.

How to help at home

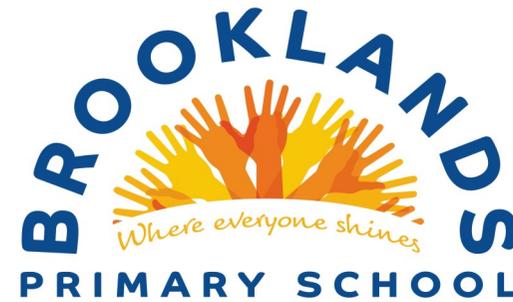
Please share their reading books as often as possible and support the children to complete their homework tasks.

We would also appreciate if you could encourage the children to become more independent for example dressing themselves, putting on their coats and shoes.

Pushchairs

Please leave pushchairs outside when you are delivering and collecting the children so that we can make sure there is a clear and safe entry and exit point. Thank you!

The Reception Team



Reception

Parent Newsletter Autumn 2017

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A school where everyone shines.

Welcome to Reception! We have a busy term ahead. Here is what we will be learning...

<u>Learning Challenge—How do we make sense of the world?</u>	
	Over the next two weeks we will be helping the children settle in to their new class and the routines of the school. We have started to think about ourselves and our families. During the term we will be exploring the world around us using our senses to help answer our learning challenge 'How do we make sense of the world?' We will be tasting different fruits, playing listening games and exploring different textures.
<u>Letters & Sounds</u> 	The children will be starting phase 2 Letters and Sounds. They will be learning the sounds using Jolly Phonics songs and will begin to be able to recognise initial sounds in words. When they are ready the children will also begin to build words using 2 sounds and then 3 sounds. We would love you to join us for a 'Help your child with their phonics' session on Wednesday 20th September at 9.00 in the Infant Hall with Mrs Johnson.
<u>Literacy</u> 	In Literacy, we will be using our sounds to read simple words. We will be reading rhyming stories and practising our rhyming skills. The children will be retelling and sequencing stories using pictures and drama. The children will be shown how to form their letters correctly and practise writing for different purposes.

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<u>Mathematics</u> 	In maths, we will work on our careful counting, making sure we count one thing at a time! We will also be matching numbers to sets of objects. In Shape, space and measure we will be looking at simple shapes and using them to make pictures and patterns.
<u>P.E</u> 	P.E will be on Tuesday for Artists and Thursday for Writers. The children each need named P.E kit., these will be sent home at half term for washing. You are welcome to take these home to freshen up before half term. In P.E, the children will explore ways of travelling using different parts of their body. They will be using apparatus to practising travelling. In addition to our P.E sessions, the children will continue to have a weekly multi-skills session on a Monday afternoon in which they will practise a range of skills.
<u>Outdoor Learning</u> 	You may have noticed that our outdoor area has had a bit of a makeover thanks to Mrs Willcocks and Mrs Perry. We use our outdoor learning environment on a daily basis so please make sure your child has a named coat in school as the weather turns cooler.
<u>Special days</u>	'Help your child with their phonics'— Wednesday 20th September, 9.00 am in the Infant Hall