

Homework - Each week the children are required to complete maths and Learning Challenge homework. We would also like someone to read with your child, help them practise their times tables and learn their spellings.

Monday	15 minutes reading	Practise times tables!	Spellings are given on a Monday, to be returned the following Monday ready for the test. Either maths or Learning Challenge homework is also given on a Monday, to be returned by the following Monday.
Tuesday	15 minutes reading	Practise times tables!	
Wednesday	15 minutes reading	Practise times tables!	
Thursday	15 minutes reading	Practise times tables!	
Friday	15 minutes reading	Practise times tables!	

Reading - Reading books and Reading Record books must be in school every day. Children are expected to read and change their book regularly. Each time a child reads their book they should write the title, author, date and comment in their Reading Record book. Please can the person at home who is listening to the child read, sign the Reading Record book so that it can be changed.

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

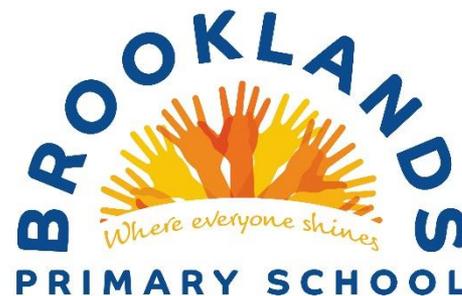
Uniform - It is important that as well as trying our best, we also look our best. Please make sure that the correct school uniform is worn. Details can be seen on our website under 'Information—School Uniform and Dress Code'.

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

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The Year Five Brooklands Team



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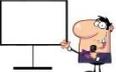
Welcome back after the holiday!

We hope you have all had a good rest and are ready for the second half term of the school year.

Here is what we will be learning in Year 5:



Subject	
<p>Geography</p> 	<p>This half term, the children will find out why rivers are so important to the towns and villages that have developed on their banks. They will be looking at the features of rivers, and the natural and human ways that they change over time. Children will learn the names and locations of the major rivers of the UK and the world.</p>
<p>Design Technology</p> 	<p>The children will be working with textiles this half term. This will include choosing different textiles for their purpose, making a prototype and using a range of joining techniques to make an attractive product. Look out for these products in our Christmas Craft Sale on December 15th!</p>
<p>Art</p> 	<p>We will be looking at the way different artists, including Monet and Hockney, have depicted water and will experiment with acrylic and watercolour paints to create our own work</p>
<p>P.E</p> 	<p>Netball is the order of the day during our PE sessions for this half term. Here the children will be learning how to pass, catch and intercept the ball before using their skills to play a game. They will also be taking part in gymnastics where they will be using their balancing skills in floor work and apparatus. Sessions.</p> <p>PE sessions will now be on Monday and Tuesday in Entrepreneurs and on Tuesday and Thursday in Professors .</p> <p>Children will need their kit in school. If your child wears earrings they will need to be able to take them out themselves. Children are expected to wear the school uniform PE kit but are welcome to bring jogging bottoms, sweatshirt and trainers to help keep warm for outside sessions. If, for any reason, they are poorly or unable to do PE they will need a note from home before they are excused.</p>
<p>PSHE</p> 	<p>In PSHE lessons this half term, we will be covering how we can get along together and avoid falling out. We will discuss the consequences of teasing and bullying, including cyber-bullying and how to ask for help.</p> <p>The children will also have the opportunity to take part in the Bikeability cycle training programme. It's like cycling proficiency, but better! It's about gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle on today's roads. Bikeability gives everyone the skills and confidence for all kinds of cycling.</p>

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<p>English</p> 	<p>This half term we will be looking at the beautiful picture book 'Journey' by Aaron Becker. We will be looking at the atmospheres which have been created and identifying characters' emotions. We will also be looking at different forms of poetry and learning how to include similes and metaphors in our own.</p> <p>We will also be writing to inform by learning how to write an explanation text and linking this to our geography topic.</p>
<p>Mathematics</p> 	<p>This half term, children will be improving their skills in fluency, reasoning and problem solving for statistics, multiplication and division and area and perimeter.</p> <p>Please refer to our website for details of National Curriculum 2014 to see the National Expectations for children in Year Five. Please practise knowing times tables and the corresponding division facts off by heart. It is a national expectation that Y5 children should know all of the times table facts. We are not quite there yet so please help us.</p>
<p>Science</p> 	<p>'Can you feel the force?' is our Learning Challenge question this term. This topic links well to our last topic about Earth and space as we will be thinking about the gravity. Children will explore the terms mass, weight and gravitational pull. We will investigate air resistance by making parachutes and water resistance by making boats.</p>
<p>Computing</p> 	<p>The children will be using the internet this half term, linking it to their 'River' topic. They will further their knowledge in using keyword searches in search engines, compare results of different searches, copy and paste, download information and save it to their username.</p>
<p>R.E</p> 	<p>We will be thinking about what makes a leader worth following. We will consider what qualities we admire in our heroes and role models and we will learn about the lives of key religious figures such as Muhammad,</p>
<p>French</p> 	<p>In French this half term, the children will learn the names of different styles of music and the names of musical instruments. They will learn to say which music they like and dislike, as well as giving reasons for their opinions. Finally, they will write and perform a role-play in the style of an interview for a talent contest.</p>
<p>Music</p> 	<p>In Year 5, the children will follow the Music Express scheme which will focus on 'Keeping Healthy' this half term. The children will be exploring and developing rhythm skills through singing, playing and moving, leading to a class performance at the end of the half term.</p>