

Homework

Reading- Our aim is for each child to complete at least one or two books a week. Reading on a regular basis will improve your child's progress and confidence. Children will be given a bookmark with 20 spaces on it. Every time your child changes their reading book or library book they will fill a space with a sticker. When their bookmark is full they will receive a prize. The book marks will follow the colours of the rainbow. Children should have completed their orange book mark by now and should be aiming for yellow or green. Please remind your child to get their Reading Record signed by an adult at home before bringing it back to school for the teacher to sign so they can change their book. Please let your child fill out their Reading Record with the date and title of the book.

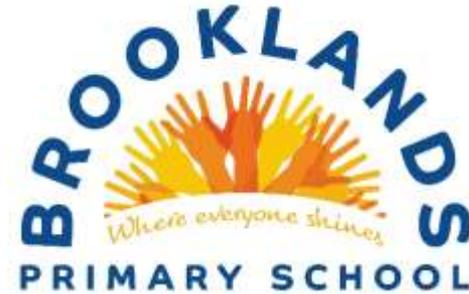
Maths homework- This will be given out on a Monday and should be handed in the following Monday. Maths homework will regularly be given out on www.mymaths.com or on TT Rock Stars. Your usernames and passwords are inside your homework book. The children have been given a 'Multiplication tables' booklet to help them learn their times tables. Please help your child to learn them by following the instructions on the back of the booklet. Children will be tested on whether they have achieved bronze, silver or gold at school based on the practise they have done for homework.

Spellings- These will also be given out on a Monday and tested on the following Monday. The children have been tested on either the Year 1/2 or Year 3/4 common exception words. Their results have been stapled into the middle of their Reading Records and the words they have spelt correctly have been highlighted. For every spelling test now, the children need to choose 2 of the common exception words they cannot spell correctly. They must write these on their spelling sheet and learn them for the test. These can be ticked off in their Reading Record. The children will be tested on the whole list again this half term.

Attendance- We start learning at 8:45 a.m. once the children have organised their things. The earlier your child arrives at school the better for them and us. Some of our interventions start as soon as the children come in. Little and often is the key.

Thank you. We look forward to working with you and your child.

The Year Three Brooklands Team.



Year Three

Parent Newsletter

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**Miss Hill
Miss McHale**

Welcome back after the half term holiday. We hope you have all had a good rest and you had lots of fun. Here is what we will be learning about:



Subject	Learning Challenge
History/ Geography 	<p>This half term, we will be trying to answer the question: 'Has Greece always been in the news?' We will begin by dissecting Ancient Greek poo to discover what they used to eat! We will study the physical and human features of modern Greece and look back at events that happened in Ancient Greece. Children will research some famous human features and study the climate of Greece. We will learn about the Greek Gods and the many Greek wars and battles and discover how the Greeks created the Olympics. Finally, we will learn all about what the Greeks have done for us!</p>
PE 	<p>This half term we will be developing our gymnastics skills. We will be learning new floor work techniques and how to apply these to apparatus. We will be developing our sequences. We will also have lots of opportunities to evaluate our performances and give and receive feedback. We will also be learning some old and new styles of Greek dancing.</p>
PSHE 	<p>Throughout this half term Y3 will learning how to stay healthy! Project Five60 will be coming in for an hour each week to teach us about hydration, the food groups, road safety, energy and how to create balanced meals as well as teaching us sporting activities to help keep our bodies fit. The children will also have the opportunity to taste a range of healthy fruit and vegetables!</p>
Art 	<p>To link with our Greek topic, we will learn how to be Greek artists and create our own mosaics using Ancient Greek mythological characters. We will start by creating mosaics out of squares of paper and then move onto using clay and pebbles! Finally we will use our Greek characters to create Greek prints using inks and two different colours to create a repeating pattern.</p>
Computing 	<p>During our computing lessons this half term, the children will be learning about the processes involved in making film clips. They will be creating their own stop animations linked to our skeletons. The children will have the opportunity to take photographs and make videos in the form of storyboards.</p>

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English 	<p>During this half term we will be learning about Greek Myths to link to our Greek Learning Challenge. Watch out for those monstrous beasts! We will be looking at the structure of different myths, reading a range of them whilst practising using intonation, tone and volume and having a go at writing our own. We will be improving our performance skills by acting some of the myths out and putting on a play.</p>
Mathematics 	<p>Please refer to our website for details of National Curriculum 2014 to see the National Expectations for children in Year Three. We will finish multiplication and division and move onto money and statistics. Please encourage your child to continue to use Times Table Rock Stars (TT Rock Stars). This is a fantastic programme designed to help children practise their times tables in a fun and engaging way. We hope the children will enjoy using this throughout this half term and become times table rock stars whilst learning the 3, 4 and 8 times tables which they are expected to know by the end of Year 3.</p>
Science 	<p>Our Learning Challenge in science is 'How can Usain Bolt move so quickly?' We will be learning about the skeleton, muscles, joints and circulatory system. We will be investigating muscle strength and seeing if there is a difference between boys and girls. We will also be researching the nutritional value of different food groups and discovering what types of food we should eat to stay healthy.</p>
RE 	<p>This half term we will continue to look at 'How and why do Christians follow Jesus?'. The children will find out more about Jesus' teachings and what we can learn from them. We will also consider what messages we can follow that enables us to lead fair and honest lives.</p>
French 	<p>In French, we will be learning the names of the seasons, the months of the year, the days of the week and numbers to 31, in order to be able to write and say the date, as well as to give the date of their birthday.</p>
Music 	<p>In music, we will be learning about the Ancient World's to link to our Learning Challenge. We will explore tuned and un-tuned percussion to create soothing, repetitive music based on an ostinato, sing songs and accompany them with tuned percussion ostinato. We will learn musical phrases, listen to melodic imitation and perform rounds.</p>