

Homework

Your child will have 3 pieces of homework per week; spellings, reading their books and maths. Their maths homework will consist of tasks to embed learning in school, this may be playing a game, using mymaths, a worksheet or TT rockstars (when the children have learnt their times tables). Usernames and passwords for mymaths are stuck in their maths homework books and TT rockstars logins are stuck in the front of your child's reading record.

Homework needs to be completed each week to enable your child to earn ABC time.

Reading

Your child will receive 3 books per week. As your child moves through the stages the books get longer and will take longer to read, so they may only be given 2 books as the year progresses. As the term progresses children will be expected to write their own books into their reading record when they change them. The day your child changes their books is highlighted in the front of their reading record.

Please continue to sign your child's reading record when they have read their books. We also welcome comments on your child's progress and achievements.

Rainbow Reading bookmarks will continue this year, for every book your child reads they may colour a spot in on their bookmark. When 20 books have been read they receive a prize and move on to the next bookmark colour.

Children need to read 3 times a week to earn ABC time.

Key Dates

Friday 27th September – Class photos

Wednesday 16th October – Town Hall trip – more details to follow

Thursday 24th October – Individual school photos

Friday 25th October – Break up for half-term

Monday 4th November – INSET Day

Tuesday 5th November – Children back to school

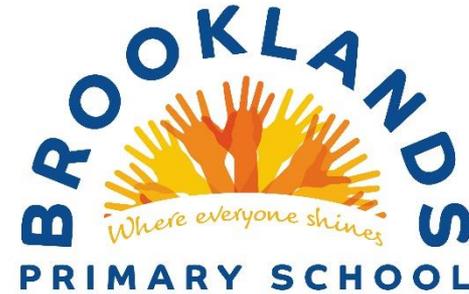
Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th November – Parents Evenings

Monday 16th December – Christmas Play 2 pm

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Play 5:30 pm

Friday 20th December – Break up for Christmas

Monday 6th January – INSET day



Year Two

Parent Newsletter

Autumn

Mrs Fearnley

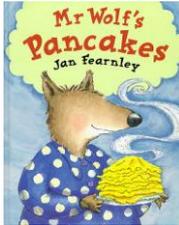
Mrs Miller

Miss Cox

Welcome back after the summer holidays.

We hope you have had a fantastic summer and are ready for the new school year. Below are things we would like to share with you for the term. Regular updates and photos will be shared on Class Dojo and Twitter. Please follow us @BrooklandsY2



<p>English</p> 	<p>In English, this half term we will be focussing on traditional tales with a twist. We will study and analyse different traditional tales and then write our own versions. We will be focussing on every sentence having a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop. Children will be practising their handwriting on a daily basis to ensure letters are formed correctly. As we progress throughout the term our aim is that children begin to join their handwriting when all of their letters are formed correctly.</p> <p>In Autumn 2 we will focus on stories by Anthony Browne. We will be focussing on our inference skills and exploring in detail how we know how different characters are feeling. We will explore different sentence types and begin to plan stories in different ways. When we have written our own stories we would love to share them with you.</p> <p>Both classes will visit the library every Tuesday afternoon. They will only be able to take a book home if they return their book from the previous week.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>In Autumn 1 we will be focussing on place value and partitioning numbers up to 99 into tens and ones. We will then develop our knowledge of addition and subtraction by learning the column method to add and subtract numbers up to 100.</p> <p>In Autumn 2 we will explore the value of money and find different ways to make the same amount. We will begin to learn our 2, 5 and 10 times tables and use TT rockstars to practise them.</p>
<p>SATs & Phonics Screening</p>	<p>In Year 2 children take Standard Assessment Tests, also known as SATs. These tests must be carried out during the month of May but on no specific date. Whenever we feel the children are ready, they complete the tests in reading, maths and SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar).</p> <p>Children in Year 2 that didn't pass the Phonics Screening Check in Year 1, will re-take the test in the week commencing Monday 8th June.</p> <p>Please ensure no holidays are booked during the month of May or Phonics Screening week.</p>

<p>Learning Challenge</p> 	<p>Why would Forky want to stay in Long Eaton? During the term we will help Forky to decide if Long Eaton is a good place to live. We will use our geography skills to research where we live and the human features of Long Eaton. We will create questions to ask on our visit to the Town Hall and discover how people try to make Long Eaton better.</p> <p>We will use our knowledge of Long Eaton to create detailed sketches of St Laurence Church. We will explore using sketching pencils and charcoal to create different tones. When we begin to spot the signs of Autumn, we will explore the school grounds to collect leaves and then create Autumnal prints of leaves.</p> <p>We will use our investigation skills in science to explore different materials and discover how some materials change shape. We will think carefully about the suitability of materials to create a house for Forky and then test and evaluate it.</p>
	<p>During indoor PE we will be doing gymnastics and creating sequences. In outdoor PE we will be developing our rolling, kicking and throwing skills before applying them to team games.</p> <p>Parks will have indoor PE on a Wednesday and outdoor PE on a Friday.</p> <p>Nightingales will have indoor PE on a Friday and Outdoor PE on a Monday.</p> <p>Your child will need their PE kit in school every day. Please ensure all items are labelled.</p>
<p>Trips</p> 	<p>Year 2 will visit Long Eaton Town Hall on Wednesday 16th October. We will be visiting as classes and the visits will be in the morning. We will be asking questions about our local area and finding out how we could work with the council to improve Long Eaton. We are currently waiting for timings to be confirmed but they will be shared with you in the near future. If you are able to help on the trip, please let us know.</p> <p>In the Spring term on Tuesday 11th February, we will be going to Newstead Abbey to embed our learning on the Victorians. The trip needs to be paid on ParentPay by Friday 4th October.</p>
<p>Concerns</p>	<p>Should you have a concern throughout the year then please follow the process below:</p> <p>Step 1: Your child's Class Teacher Step 2: Director of Learning for the phase Step 3: Senior Leader</p>