

## Welcome to Term 1!

We wish you a warm welcome back for your child's final year at The Croft Primary School. We are really proud of how the children have settled back into life at school and they have already made a great start to the year.

This term, we will be reading the books Skellig and The Viewer. These texts will form the basis of our reading and writing lessons.



We will complete various pieces of writing linked to the 2 texts, both fiction and non-fiction outcomes.

In reading, we will focus on reading fluency and comprehension based on various extracts of the texts.

In Maths this term, we will develop our conceptual understanding related to number and place value. We will also be consolidating and extending our learning based on the formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children will be given lots of opportunities to add depth and breadth to their learning by completing reasoning and problem-solving activities.

Our science learning this term will focus on light. The children will learn how light travels and use this knowledge to explain how we are able to see objects.

Our music lessons will be supported by a unit from Charanga where children will have the opportunity to listen to, understand and perform different genres of music.

In History this term, we will be focusing on the question, 'What does a census tell us about our local area?'. We will look at examples of censuses across this unit, looking at changes, continuities and also researching the lives of the different families.

We will continue to have weekly computing and online safety lessons. In our computing lessons, we will be focused on digital literacy. We will be looking at the positives and negatives of different ways to communicate online. Our online safety focuses this term will be self-image and identity and security and privacy.

In R.E, we will be thinking about the big question — what is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? This unit of work will prompt discussion around different types of commitment and Islam. We will also think about who we are and where we fit through out personal development (PD) topic, 'Being Me in My World'.

Our PE lessons will be on a Monday. We will also be completing the daily mile each day to encourage children to be active on a daily basis.

In Art, we will at one point perspective artwork. Children will develop different skills throughout the unit to build up to a final outcome including mathematical processes and positive and negative space.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and needs to be returned the following Wednesday. Reading records should be updated and handed in on a Wednesday to be checked- we would like to see children reading and recording these five times per week. To encourage independence, children are able to write in their own reading records.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 6 Team

## Meet the team

Please email your child's class teacher if there is anything you wish to discuss.

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