



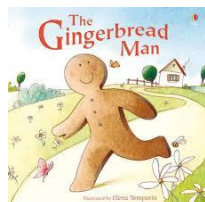
Reception Term 2 Newsletter

Welcome to Term 2 at The Croft

Welcome back to a new term at The Croft. There is lots to be excited about this term. We are looking forward to learning more about Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day and Christmas this term. We will be regularly rehearsing our Reception Nativity which will be 'Whoops-a-Daisy – Angel'

The children have settled brilliantly into our Croftie family and it has been wonderful to see new friendships grow. We will also continue to practice Little Wandle Phonics each morning; daily Maths sessions as well as Literacy sessions each day to promote mark making into writing.

We are excited to explore our new key texts for this term. We will continue to focus on letter formation, mark making and segmenting and blending words to support with writing and spelling.



Our indoor and outdoor classroom environments will also be enhanced to reflect our key text and tales – look out for the children's creations that they will bring home in their bags to share with you! Please also look out for updates on your child's Tapestry account.

PE

Our whole class PE session will continue to be on a **Wednesday afternoon** this term. Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit as they will remain wearing it for the day. Jogging bottoms are encouraged in the colder weather.

Outdoor Learning

In Reception, we learn both indoors and outside, and we will be outside during all weathers (providing it is safe to do so). Please ensure that your child has named wellington boots that are kept in school and that the children come in each day with a waterproof coat.

Reading and Homework

We love to celebrate the children's reading at The Croft. Once your child is blending to read independently, they will be allocated a book to read and this book has been carefully matched to your child's phonic level. We encourage your child to read this to you at least once each week. Your child will also choose a 'Reading for Pleasure' book from our school's Book Nook. We encourage children to read with their families a minimum of 5 times per week. The number of reads are counted in school each week and prizes for every 25 reads are rewarded in our celebration assemblies. Please note that as part of our school policy, we count no more than one read per day.

We encourage children to share their new learning with their families, so homework, books, phonics books and reading for pleasure books will be sent home every **Friday** and should be returned on a **Wednesday**.

Celebration Assembly

Please join us to celebrate our successes during the celebration assemblies on Friday mornings on Teams from 9am. We will celebrate children's academic learning, values-based successes and reading achievements. If your child has an out-of-school achievement, please do let us know so that we can celebrate this as well.

Dates for your Diary:

12th November – Parents Evening for Reception and KS1
2nd December – Robin Hood Pantomime Trip (Newbury)
15th December – Reception Nativity

Thank you for your continued support.

Reception team.

Meet the team

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