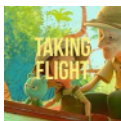


Year 4 Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome to Term 1

Welcome to Year 4 at The Croft. We are so excited to welcome all of the children back and hear about their summer holiday stories and adventures.

Upon their return to school, we hope the children will be pleased to be able to catch up with friends and share their experiences and adventures from the summer. We are also excited to see the new friendships as the classes have changed, giving children a chance to develop their social skills further. We are very excited to watch each of the children grow and develop within Year 4, building on their learning journey.

	The Great Kapok Tree – Fiction
	Taking Flight – Non Fiction

This book and animation will form the basis of our Writing lessons and will support the children to produce some high-quality writing. This term, our text is The Great Kapok Tree with the children writing a Story Setting at the end of this unit. In the latter half of the term the children will write a recount. Within the lessons we will look at a variety of skills building on last year's learning.

In History we will focusing our learning on the key question 'How have children's lives changed?', which we are hoping that all of the children will thoroughly enjoy being able to look back through the past and see the comparisons.

Within maths this term we will be exploring place value to 4 digits. The children will also have daily Maths on Track lessons which will recap their number fact knowledge of place value to 3 digits as well as weekly multiplication recall. In addition, we will continue to develop their understanding of multiples. Please practise times tables at home whenever you can.

In Science, we will begin learning about electricity, how we use it and how to create our very own circuits.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. It will be 5 reads in the reading record (one per day), spellings will continue to come home weekly and will follow the same format as previous years which follows the weekly focus. Then alternative weeks either a piece of maths or English homework.

Reading records will be collected in on a Wednesday to be checked and then given out on a Friday with a new reading level book and a reading for pleasure book that the children choose themselves. We shall also be reading with the children in school to ensure their reading is progressing as much as possible and we are closely monitoring their reading fluency and comprehension skills.

PE day is Tuesday, please come to school in your school PE kit. This term we will be doing gymnastics!

Many thanks for your continued support! We look forward to sharing a fantastic term with you all!

Meet the team

Please email if there is anything you wish to discuss

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