



Year 4 Term 3 Newsletter

Welcome to Term 3

Welcome back for the third term at The Croft! We are so excited to welcome all of the children back and hear about their half term stories and adventures. We are all very excited for this term as it is packed full with memorable and magical learning experiences!

Upon their return to school, we hope the children will be pleased to catch up with friends and share their half term Christmas experiences. We are also hoping to continue to build upon the expectations and progress that were achieved last term. We are very excited to watch each of the children continue to build, grow and develop within their learning to allow their Year 4 journey continue to progress.

	The Wolves in the Walls
	What a Waste

This term, our Writing lessons will be based around two exciting texts. We will focus on writing to entertain, using *The Wolves in the Walls* as a starting point. The children will retell the story and also create a non-chronological report inspired by the engaging non-fiction book, *What a Waste*. Throughout the term, we will develop a variety of writing skills. In Reading, we will explore the classic story *Charlotte's Web*, building comprehension and vocabulary skills while discussing the themes and characters in depth.

In History, we will focus on the Anglo-Saxons and answer the key question: How hard was it to invade and settle in Britain? This topic will help children understand the challenges and impacts of these historical events.

Our Science topic this term is Electricity. The children will investigate common electrical appliances such as lights and fans. They will also learn how to construct simple series circuits with cells, wires, bulbs, switches, and buzzers. We'll explore how switches control circuits and discover which materials, like metals, are good conductors of electricity.

In Online Safety, we will focus on understanding our Online Reputation and how information can be found and shared online. The children will learn how to manage their digital presence responsibly and safely.

In our main Computing lesson, Year 4 will explore Digital Literacy, specifically focusing on Computing Systems and Networks with an emphasis on The Internet. The children will gain a deeper understanding of how the internet works and its impact on daily life.

In PE, the children will be creating their own gymnastics routines. They will explore a variety of shapes, balances and transitions to incorporate into their routines, building both creativity and physical skills.

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, spellings and on alternative weeks a piece of maths or English homework. The spelling homework will follow the weekly focus. The children will be tested on the words on a weekly basis. We would like children to read at home at least 5 times per week. This should be recorded in reading records please. 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 too to ensure their reading is progressing as much as possible and we are closely monitoring their reading fluency and comprehension skills.

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

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Please email if there is anything you wish to discuss

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