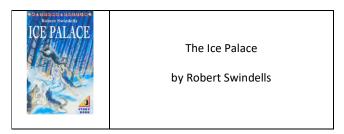


## Welcome to Term 3

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 be 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.



This term, our topic is Scandinavia which we are hoping that all of the children will thoroughly enjoy.. Just as we had in term 2, we have a text that the children will be exploring which will hopefully allow curriculum links to be established too. We will be reading the texts 'The Ice Palace'. This text will enable the children to produce some high-quality written work which embed grammar features we have been learning.

Within maths this term we will be exploring formal written methods for addition and subtraction using the column method. In addition to this, we will be continuing to develop our understanding of multiplication and division. The children will also have daily fluency lessons which will recap their number fact knowledge to develop their efficient recall.

In science, we will be learning all about electricity. We will be building simple circuits. In addition to this, we will be making Scandinavian open sandwiches as part of our DT. In computing, we will be learning keyboard short cuts and using purple mash for information technology. Alongside this we will be exploring online reputation.

Year 4 will be creating gymnastics routines as part of our PE session with STFC. They will explore a range of shapes, balances and transitions to create their own routines.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. It will be <u>5 reads in</u> <u>the reading record</u>, 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 <u>5 times per week</u>. 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.

Our PE day in Term 3 is on a MONDAY

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

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