

Term 4 Newsletter

Welcome to Term 4

Welcome back for the fourth 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 welcome Mr Little back to Year 4 and I know the children are just as happy to see him back as we are.

Upon their return to school, we hope the children will be pleased to catch up with friends and share their half term 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 to continue to progress.

JOURNEY	Writing Texts
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	After The Fall
Call Me LION	
	Reading Text
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In Writing, the children will write to entertain by Retelling a Story and Write to inform by writing an eye witness report.

We will read the text 'Call me Lion' and use it as a focus for our comprehension as well as reading passage of the text to practise fluency within reading.

This term, our topic in Geography is Antarctica, where the children will answer the key question, 'Who lives in Antarctica?'

Within Maths this term, we will be exploring multiplication, division and angles. The children will also have daily fluency lessons which will recap their number fact knowledge to develop their efficient recall. Please continue to practise rapid recall of multiplication facts with your child using Doodle Tables and other resources we shared in the MTC workshop at the end of last term.

We will be using our knowledge in electronics from science last term, to create a light up card using a circuit.

In Science, the children will learn about Animals including humans. We will be creating experiments for which liquids decompose eggs (replica teeth!) quicker than others. Children will also learn about food chains.

In computing, we will be creating media and learning how to use $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Photo}}$ Editing.

Year 4 will be practising their gymnastics skills in particular pair work in PE. We will continue to have PE on a **Monday**.

As part of our personal development journey and to compliment the online safety learning, we will explore the topic 'Healthy Me!'

Year 4 will continue to learn French and will focus the learning this term on French weather and the water cycle.

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 the reading record</u>, spellings and on alternative weeks a piece of Maths or English homework. The spelling homework will follow the weekly focus.

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.

There have been some updates regarding the expectations in completing homework. Children in KS2 are expected to read at least 5 times and this should be written in their reading record, there is also an expectation to complete all homework set. If there is a valid reason for not completing the homework, please let the class teacher know.

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

Year 4 Team

<u>Meet the team</u> Please email if there is anything you wish to discuss

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