

Welcome to Term 1!

We wish you a warm welcome back for your child's final year at The Croft Primary School. We are really proud of how the children have settled back into life at school and they have already made a great start to the year.

This term, we will be reading the book Wonder. This text will form the basis of our reading and writing lessons.



We will continue to follow our threephase approach within our reading and writing lessons, making strong links between the two. We will complete various pieces of writing linked to Wonder including a chapter book, a persuasive letter, paragraphs with contrasting atmospheres and a diary entry. Different types of disability will be discussed throughout this unit of work.

In maths this term, we will develop our conceptual understanding related to number and place value. We will also be consolidating and extending our learning based on the formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children will be given lots of opportunities to add depth and breadth to their learning by completing reasoning and problem-solving activities.

Our science learning this term will focus on light. The children will learn how light travels and use this knowledge to explain how we are able to see objects. Our music lessons will be supported by a unit from Charanga where children will have the opportunity to listen to, understand and perform different genres of music.

In Term 1, our P.E lessons a will occur on a Wednesday and we will be playing hockey. We will also be completing the daily mile each day to encourage children to be active on a daily basis.

In geography, our key question is, 'Would you like to live in a desert?' During this unit, we will discover the positives and negatives of living in a desert and other interesting facts about them.

We will continue to have weekly computing and online safety lessons. In our computing lessons, we will be focused on digital literacy. We will be looking at the positives and negatives of different ways to communicate online. Our online safety focus this term will be self-image and identity.

In R.E, we will be thinking about the big question — what is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? This unit of work will prompt discussion around different types of commitment and Islam. We will also think about who we are and where we fit through out personal development (PD) topic, 'Being Me in My World'.

In Art, we will be looking at illusion and one point perspective artwork. Children will develop different skills throughout the unit to build up to a final outcome including mathematical processes and positive and negative space.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and needs to be returned the following Wednesday. Reading records should also be updated and handed in on a Wednesday to be checked please - we would like to see children reading and recording these five times per week. To encourage independence, children are able to write in their own reading records in Year 6.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 6 Team

Meet the team

Please email your child's class teacher if there is anything you wish to discuss.

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