



The Croft Primary School



Term 3 - Does Crime Pay?

Meet the Year 4 Team:



Miss Read



Miss Webb



Mrs Turner



Mrs Oliveira

Welcome back for the third term at The Croft. We all hope that you had a lovely Christmas break and we wish you all a very Happy New Year! This term we have got the very exciting topic of 'Does Crime Pay?', which will invite many exciting and interesting learning opportunities. Within this topic, the children will be exploring the differences and thus the changes in crime and punishments that have evolved across Victorian, Tudor and present day periods. Through this, the children will be creating posters, fact cards and designing their own prison cells to strengthen their general knowledge of crime and punishment from the past to the present. Within English, the children will be focusing on a school crime scene to create their newspaper reports, as well as focusing upon 'The Fantastic Mr Fox' by Roald Dahl within guided reading for the first part of term. The children will also be basing some of their English learning on the Enid Blyton book 'The Mystery of the Secret Room'. Additionally, in maths this term the children will be continuing to apply their number fact knowledge to develop their skills of multiplication and division. In science, the children will be learning about the different states of matter and will be exploring how and why materials can change state, this will also link into learning about the water cycle. This term the children will have many purposeful and exciting learning opportunities to participate in.

Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. The children will be tested on their weekly spellings on a Friday. We will run homework clubs during break times to support children with this. We ask that reading records are in school daily so that we can monitor children's reading at home. We would like children to read at home 5 times per week. This should be recorded in reading records please. We understand that children may not always wish to read their school books and would encourage them to explore a range of reading materials. These could include: fact files, magazines, newspapers, recipes, poetry, fiction and non-fiction texts.

Our PE days in Term 3 will remain on a Monday morning and Thursday afternoon; please ensure that your child has a fully labelled PE kit in school each day. Monday morning will be outdoor PE and Thursday afternoon will be indoor PE. Please make sure that long hair is tied back and that non-religious jewellery is removed. We will continue to enjoy our recorder lessons on a Wednesday and will be practising for an upcoming performance- watch this space! Our fortnightly language lessons will also continue throughout term 3, all of the children are developing into budding linguists!

Thank you for all of your support and we are always available if you have any questions.

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Reminders...

Children can still bring in a healthy snack to have at playtime. Please remember that these snacks should be strictly no nuts due to severe allergies.

We would like to encourage walking whenever possible to minimise traffic and keep our children safe when arriving to and leaving school.

Thank you.

Dates to Remember...

Tuesday 2nd January- Children return back to school
Friday 19th January- Intel Trip
Tuesday 6th February- Internet Safety Day
Wednesday 7th February- Parents Evening
Thursday 8th February 2017- Parents Evening
Friday 9th February- Last day of term

