



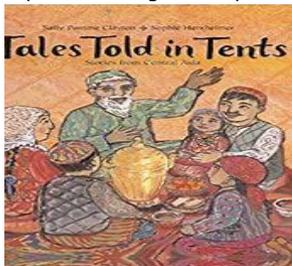
Year 4 Newsletter Term 1

Welcome back for the start of a brand new year at The Croft! We are so excited to greet all of the children back and have a year full of amazing memories and learning experiences. We understand it was a very different end to the academic year than normal last year so we are all so excited to see the children back in school.

On the return to school, our main priority within the first few weeks back is to ensure that the children feel safe, happy and comfortable in their learning environment. In addition to this, we want the children to have time to reunite with their class friends and have time to share their experiences and stories. Throughout the year, we are striving towards the children having many exciting and high quality learning experiences within each of the areas of the curriculum.

This term, our topic is Tales from Asia which will allow the children to explore different cultural traditions and beliefs, along with opportunities to explore history and art.

Within maths this term we shall be exploring number and place value which will involve representing and identifying 4 digit numbers, counting in multiples and finding 1000 greater and less of a number. We will be reading the text 'Tales told in tents' in term 1 which will enable the children to produce some high quality written work and allow them to engage their imagination and creativity once more. In science we will be learning all about states of matter and in computing the children will be focusing on Information technology and online safety surrounding identity.



Our PE days in year 4 will be on a Wednesday afternoon for outdoor PE. We will be completing a daily 15 minute PE task four times a week too which may include activities such as skipping. Please ensure that your child has a fully labelled PE kit in school each day. Please make sure that long hair is tied back and that non-religious jewellery is removed. Throughout the year, the children will be developing a range of skills during their PE lessons.

Meet the team!

4B

Mrs Britton

Mrs Randell

4W

Miss Webb

Miss O'Connor

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 grammar based homework. The spelling homework will follow the weekly spelling rule and will involve the children looking at prefixes, suffixes, identifying patterns, finding exceptions and putting the spelling words into sentences. The children will be tested with a 'pot luck' spelling test on Fridays. 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 at least 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. Reading records will be checked on Fridays. We may also send home times tables homework to help with the preparation towards the Multiplication Check in the latter part of the year.

Many thanks for your support! We look forward to sharing a fantastic year with you all!
The year 4 team.