

## PE

Please ensure that your child has a labelled PE kit in school.

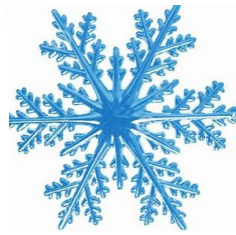
PE will be on a Monday and Cycling will be on a Tuesday. Please take your child's bike to the top playground in the morning (the gate will be locked at 8:45am) and then collect from there after school.

## Reading

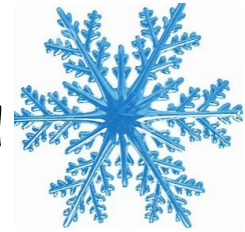
Children are able to change their books on a daily basis should they need to. Certificates and prizes are being awarded when your child has read 20 times. This is creating a real buzz in the classroom, we hope it is at home too.

Please remember to read at least five times a week at home—this makes a significant difference to their progress across all areas of the curriculum. Please ensure that reading books and reading diaries are in school every day as children may read with an adult.

## Term 2



## Winter Wonderland



Welcome back to Term 2. We hope your children had a great half term and are ready for the excitement and build up to Christmas that Term 2 brings. We are looking forward to some really exciting activities which will start with us being Arctic Explorers for the day.

Our learning this term will be based around our new topic of 'Winter Wonderland.' This topic will be based around the Oliver Jeffers story 'Lost and Found', and Julia Donaldson's story 'The Gruffalo's Child.'

In English this term we will be continuing to develop our phonic knowledge and will use this to support us when writing; postcards home from the South Pole; writing Winter Wonderland themed acrostic poems, and retelling, planning and writing short stories based on the Gruffalo's child.

In Maths we will be practising number formation and we will have a focus on addition and subtraction. We will be practising addition and subtraction building upon previous knowledge. This will be through exploring and investigating; fact families; number bonds; the part/part whole model, and finding the difference.

In Science, we will continue to look at Materials. We will be identifying the most appropriate materials to build a house with by using fair testing and predictions. We will be using a chart to record our investigation.

In geography, we will be investigating the South Pole and the UK. We will be exploring the similarities and differences of these places during Winter.

Please follow us on Twitter for updates about what we have been learning in school — @thecroftprimary

### Dates to remember:

- 5th November - Return to school
  - 6th November - Phonics meeting for parents and carers 5:30pm
  - 13th November - Flu spray vaccinations
  - 8th December - PTA Christmas Fayre
  - 12th December - Christmas lunch and Christmas jumpers
  - 14th December - Christmas jumper day
  - 19th December - Christmas production
  - 20th December—In class Christmas party
  - 21st December—Non uniform day Christmas theme
- Last day of term