



Year 3 Information 2021-22



Introduction

Welcome to Year 3. We are enjoying getting to know your children and are really looking forward to the year ahead.

Swallows is taught by Mrs Palmer Monday to Thursday, and Mrs Moore on a Friday. Swifts is taught by Miss Woodrow all week.

Our Teaching Assistants are Mrs Reeves, Mrs Maxim, Mrs Eyre and Mrs Sneath.

The Classroom

We have been very impressed with the way the children have started the new year. Thank you for your support in making this work well.

Please remember that each child needs a water bottle containing water only, a lunch box if they are having a home packed lunch and a waterproof coat, especially as we go through the Autumn term. Please ensure your child has a **fruit snack** each day. Also please remember we are a nut free school so take care that all packed lunch items are nut free.

Picking up and dropping off

If your child is being collected by somebody different to the normal routine please remember to inform the school office.

The end of the day is the time where we would encourage you to speak to us if you have any questions or queries. You can also email the school office or to the class teachers directly on swallows@cringleford.norfolk.sch.uk or swifts@cringleford.norfolk.sch.uk Please be aware that there might be a small delay in reading the emails and replying as we are in school teaching.

Rewards

The same rewards system runs across the whole school.

- Team points (children will be told their teams shortly)
- Class Hooray (a reward earned by the collective efforts of the whole class)
- Weekly Celebration Certificates based around the school's JONK learning behaviours.

When it is your child's birthday, they are able to come to school in their 'home clothes'. If this happens to fall on a PE day, they can come in in their own clothes on a different day as they do need to wear appropriate kit for PE.

Consequences

This follows the school behaviour policy. If a child lands on a red traffic light they are given time out which is a time where they are removed from an activity and are asked to reflect on their actions. This is a rare occurrence and we will always let you know that this has happened.

P.E

P.E is on a Monday and Thursday for Swallows and Swifts. Please ensure that your child comes to school on these days dressed in suitable clothing for an outdoor PE lesson. This should be black jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts, a red or white t-shirt and a sweatshirt. If your child has pierced ears, we request that they remove their earrings or bring in earring tape. For safety, all long hair must be tied back for PE. The children will be doing outdoor PE as much as possible, so please make sure that they have warmer clothes to wear and a change of shoes in case their feet get muddy.



Reading

Our aim is to promote reading for pleasure for all the children in Year 3. In order to do this we will give your children lots of opportunities to read a variety of texts, we will share books and stories as a class and in smaller groups, as well as sharing reading with other classes in the school. We will aim to hear your child read once a week in a group guided reading session and at least once a week individually.

A little but often approach to reading at home has shown to be very beneficial in children's reading development. We would hope your child will read every day. We would like this to be recorded in their reading record book at least three times a week. Please include anything your child reads at home, including library books, magazines, information books, etc. There is as much value in reading to your child as your child reading to you, so feel free to add any books you have shared together. We will expect your child to bring their reading folder in every day to allow for all opportunities for reading with an adult in school.

Curriculum

You should have now received the curriculum map for the first half of the Autumn term. Further information will be sent at the beginning of the second half of the Autumn term and Spring and Summer terms.

Homework

Aside from reading as frequently as possible, your child should be encouraged to learn their times tables and will have a regular test on the appropriate times table for them, on a Thursday. We will also be setting weekly spellings appropriate to your child's ability and they will be tested on these words each Friday. Your child has been provided with an Active Learn and Times table Rockstars login which you will find on a sticker in their reading records when these come home next week. We allocate activities on these platforms on a regular basis which will support and consolidate what your child has been learning in school.

Each half term there will be an opportunity for the children to enrich their learning in school by completing a task related to the topic or theme of the half term. We will send further information to you about this shortly.

We look forward to getting to know your child and working in partnership with you.

The Year 3 Team

Mrs Moore, Mrs Palmer & Miss Woodrow