

Welcome to Class 3!

Some Information for Parents About the New Class

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Welcome to the new year in Class 3! We are all really looking forward to you joining our class. This is to let you know a little bit more about what it's like in Class 3. Next year, lots of things will stay the same in school but there will be a few changes too. I have already spent some time talking to you about how change can feel and I hope you are feeling excited about your move.

What will feel very similar to create confidence?

In the morning, once you have put all your things away, you will go straight to your table space. This will be where you will be based for most of the day, but in some lessons you may need to move to a different place or work with one of the LSAs in the quiet area of our class. When you come in, there will be an early morning job which will be written on the interactive white board.

What will the Children Need?

In Class 3, you can bring a small rucksack for your things (rather than the book bag you had in Classes 1 and 2). Please can you choose one that is small, so we can fit them all in on the pegs!

You can also have a small pencil case that you leave in school, if you would like to. In this you can have a few coloured pencils but we will give you your pen and pencil and everything else you will need in there. You will also be given a learning pack with some essential resources in it that you can keep on your table.

Where will they keep things?

You will have a labelled peg where you can leave your bag and coat. This is also where you will put your PE kit. You will need the same things in your PE kit as last year. Your trainers can be stored on the shelves under the pegs. There is a trolley where you can leave your lunch box if you have a packed lunch. You will also have a tray with your name on it, where you can put things you might need each day.

Class Email Address:

If you need to share something or ask the class teacher something, please use the email address:

class3@upham.hants.sch.uk

Please note any absences should always be reported to the office, not the class email address.

What might feel a bit different to the last class?

New Year 3s will now move into Key Stage 2. In the morning, rather than going into class when you arrive, you will go straight onto the playground and wait for the whistle to blow. When you hear the whistle, collect your bag and go around the school, past the field and wildlife area and into the Class 3 cloakroom door. In Class 3, you don't get fruit for a morning snack so you can bring your own healthy snack in.

Most mornings we will do Maths and English. In the afternoon, we usually do all the other lessons like Science, Geography, PE, Art or music. We have a visiting teacher in to teach music – which is called Listen To Me. This will be on a Wednesday afternoon this year. You will also be going swimming in the first term which is on a Wednesday morning.

What home-learning can I help my child with?

Just like in Class 2 we expect everyone to read each night at home. In Class 3, you can choose your own book from our classroom, or from one you have at home. Some of you that need more practice with reading will also be given a Little Wandle book each week and a reading record so we can keep track of your reading.

You will be given a set of spelling sentences each week. You will do 1, 2 or 3 of these sentences depending on how confident you are with spelling. We will tell you how many to learn. There will be a test each week on a Friday. These are on the school website under the Class 3 tab.

You will now also need to practise your times tables each week. You will be working on 1 or more of these each week with a test done each Tuesday. You will move up to the next set when you get full marks in the test.

We also have a home learning grid in Key Stage 2. These are given to you at the start of each half term. There are usually about 12 different activities on this. You can choose which tasks that you would like to do and hand each in as you do it. These can also be emailed to the class email address.

We all look forward to you joining our class in September, if you have any more questions you can always ask me when I am on playground duty or talk to one of the Class 3 children.

Have a lovely summer holiday when it comes,

From Mrs Bird and the Class 3 Team