

# Welcome to Year 3 – Willow Class

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# Willow Class Year 3



*Our classroom is located in the new building*

# Year 3 Staff - Willow Class

Teachers: Miss Jermy  
Mrs Palmer

Mon, Tues, Wed

Thurs, Fri



Teaching Assistant: Mrs Eley



# Drop off / Collection

Junior children walk themselves into the new building block and go into class. Please arrive as close as possible to the time of 8.45 to ensure your child is able to complete their 'Early Morning Work'

At home time, junior children wait with their teacher to be collected. Please come forward to collect your child. Once we have seen you, your child will be dismissed. Please bear with us in the early days while we get to know you all.



# Lockers

Every child will be allocated a locker. In their small locker they will need to fit their coat, lunch, PE kit. Many juniors bring a small bag with their lunch, reading book etc inside, rather than a separate lunch bag and book bag. Don't worry, the lockers do not have a lock and key!



# Equipment



## Stationary

We provide your child with a pencil case and the stationary they need for the school day

## PE kit

Outdoor kit to include:

- White PE top or coloured house t-shirt
- Dark plain bottoms and jumper (they can wear school jumper)
- Trainers
- Waterproof coat



# Homework



## Project Homework

Each term home learning projects will be set for your child to complete with your support. This will be closely linked to our current class topic. You don't need to use your homework book to record this anymore, simply bring it in to share.

Spelling - A set of spelling patterns will be taught each week in class. The assignment will be set on Spelling Shed, games will be set to play. New words will go live on the shed every Saturday. The children will be tested on the Friday of each week.

Maths - MyMaths homework will be set weekly to consolidate learning in class.

Times tables - In year 3 children need to learn 2s, 10s, 5s, 3s, 4s, 8s. Each child will get a Times table Rock Star account to help learn their tables.



MyMaths.co.uk



# Reading

## Individual Reading

In the Juniors we follow a different reading system called Accelerated Reader. Your child will be given a ZPD (which is like the colour band /level they used to have) They will choose a book from this range eg. 1.1-2.4 Parent's guide – <https://help.renlearn.co.uk/AR/ARParentGuide>

Once they've read the book, they return to school and take a short quiz to earn points. The focus now shifts to comprehension. The more they read the more points they receive. Most junior children have green reading record cards instead of reading records. They are responsible for changing their own book whenever they need to. Most books on your shelf at home have a ZPD, books can be searched on Accelerated Reader to find out their level. <https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/>

## Whole Class Reading

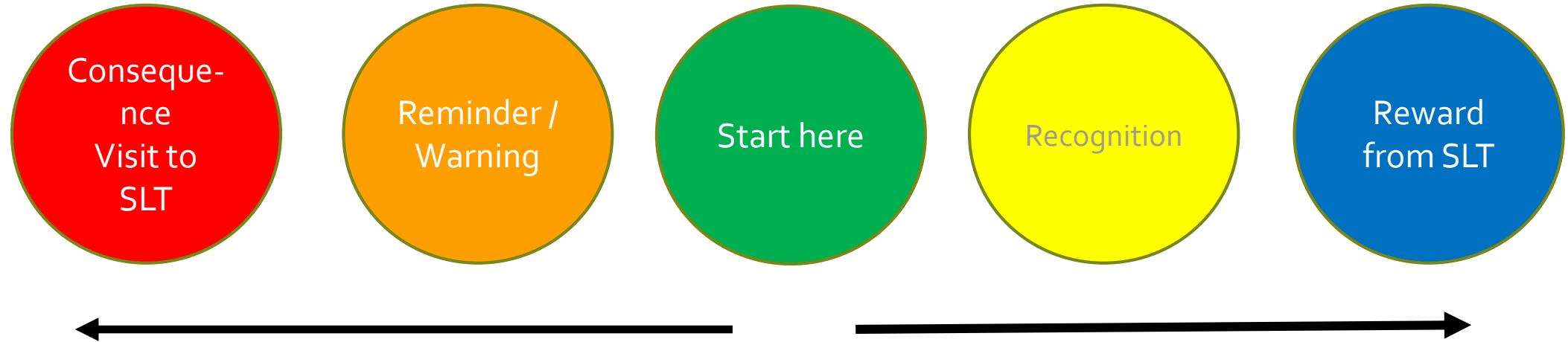
Each term we will have a text that we all read together. Reading skills will be taught to the whole class using this book.



**Accelerated**<sup>™</sup>  
Reader



# Rewards and sanctions



*We can also earn marbles in a jar for our Class Reward System*

# Reminders

## Every day

- One small school bag *(children don't need a pencil case, all equipment is provided)*
- Water bottle *(named please)*
- Fruit snack *(you need to provide this now, fruit is only free for R, 1, 2)*
- Reading book and reading card

## Extras

- PE kit – Wednesday and Thursday



# Independence

Try to encourage:

- ✓ Packing their own school bag
- ✓ Filling up their own water bottle
- ✓ Tying their own shoelaces
- ✓ Sharpening their own pencil



# Assessment



The children have assessments each term in class

Star Reader Assessment x 3 a year

SPAG Assessment x 3 a year

Maths – White Rose Assessment x 3 a year

From these regular assessments, we will be able to find areas in which your child may need help with.

There are no statutory assessments in Year 3.

# Marking Policy

Children are encouraged to look back at their marked work. There are opportunities for them to do this throughout the day.

**Pink** – Means think again

**Green** – Means growth, so the children have understood or been outstanding.

**Purple** – Children use pink pen to respond to feedback and edit their work

# Any questions?

Please email queries to  
[office@st-nicholas-birchington.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-nicholas-birchington.kent.sch.uk)  
And complete the subject box *FAO: Year 3*

# Thank you!

Thank you for all of your support both at home and at school. We couldn't do it without you 😊

We are here to work with you, so should you ever need to come and see us please feel free to talk to us after school once the children have left.