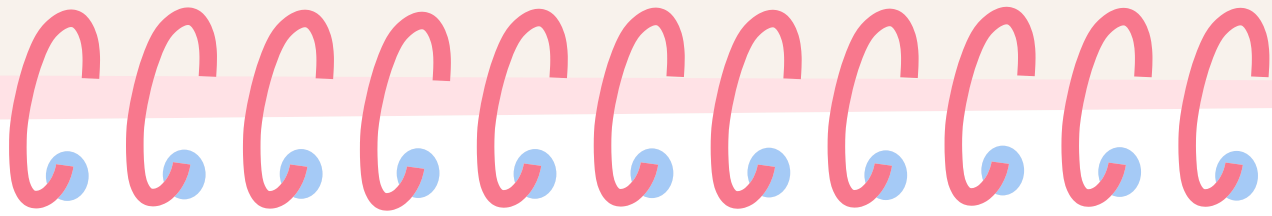


3rd Class team

Class Teachers: Jackie & Sarah
Special Education Teacher:
Laura & Marian (returning from
maternity leave in Oct)
SNAs: Hazel & Sara

Jackie's 3rd Class Newsletter Autumn 2025



Welcome to 3rd class

Dear Parents and Guardians, A very warm welcome to 3rd Class! I am delighted to have the opportunity to teach your children this year and I am really looking forward to getting to know each of them as we learn and grow together. This newsletter contains some information on what to expect in 3rd class.

3rd Class is an exciting year, full of new learning opportunities, friendships, and independence. I look forward to working in partnership with you to make it a happy and successful year for your child.

Jackie

Days To Remember

PE: Tuesdays & Wednesdays.

5 weeks of football coaching will begin 1st October running up until early November.

ICT: Wednesday afternoons.

Children will use iPads for in class lesson/ project work. All children signed an iPad contract which is adhered to strictly.

Ukuele: Monday mornings

from 9- 9:45am. Running from September through to December.

Golden Time: Fridays

from 1:40pm- 2:20pm. Children will engage in games, watch a movie or head to the Hub for games or a walk.





3rd Class Behaviour System



We use both individual Dojo points and whole-class marble rewards. Children can spend their points in our Dojo Shop on fun choices like avatars, sitting with a friend, or a work pass.

In our classroom we work hard to create a positive, respectful, and safe learning environment. If a child's behaviour disrupts their own or others' learning, we follow clear steps to help them make better choices:

- Step 1: Verbal warning
- Step 2: Yellow card.
- Step 3: Move place in classroom, miss 10 minutes of Golden Time.
- Step 4: Move to another classroom, complete behaviour reflection sheet, parent/guardian informed.
- Step 5: Visit the Principal.

Each new day is a fresh start!

General Information

Seating Arrangements: We will move seats at the end of every half-term, unless the need arises sooner. Please respect each teacher's discretion to choose a seating plan that they feel works best for all children.

Attendance: If your child is absent, please send a note on Aladdin.

Punctuality - school begins with a check-in at 8:50am.

Collections - please give advance notice if your child is being collected by someone different or they will be collected early.

Parent/Guardian Volunteers: Interested in volunteering with our class (ICT, Library, Trips etc.)? Please consider getting Garda Vetted with the school.

Homework: Work it Out (or occasional specific maths homework pertaining to a topic), Spellings, Reading, Times Tables or project-based homework.

Homework should take a maximum of 30 - 40 minutes, anything after that, they should stop.

Healthy Eating: One small treat on a Friday to be eaten at big break.

Popcorn, crisps, sharing bags and hard sweets e.g. lollipops are not allowed.

No nuts or nut products - we are a nut free school.



Birthday treats and invitations cannot be shared in school.





Curricular Areas



ENGLISH

Children will explore spelling strategies (a guide will be sent home), read a range of novels, develop their story writing, and develop their cursive handwriting.

We will also focus on building confidence in speaking and presenting. Every child will have regular opportunities to speak in front of the class and develop their listening skills.

Weekly spelling test (Friday).

DEAR time daily.

MATHS

Our new maths curriculum focuses on problem-solving, reasoning, and real-life connections rather than rote learning.

Through "maths talk," children explain their thinking as well as their answers.

They also use hands-on resources like 100 squares and multiplication boards to support learning.

This year we'll focus on place value (3-digit numbers), subtraction with renaming, introduction to multiplication and division, times tables and fractions ($\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{10}$).

GAEILGE

We are focusing on Gaeilge neamhfhoirmiúil (informal/conversational Irish) through fun and engaging activities such as games, songs, poems and simple conversations.

The aim is to build the children's confidence in speaking Irish and to help them enjoy using the language in everyday situations.

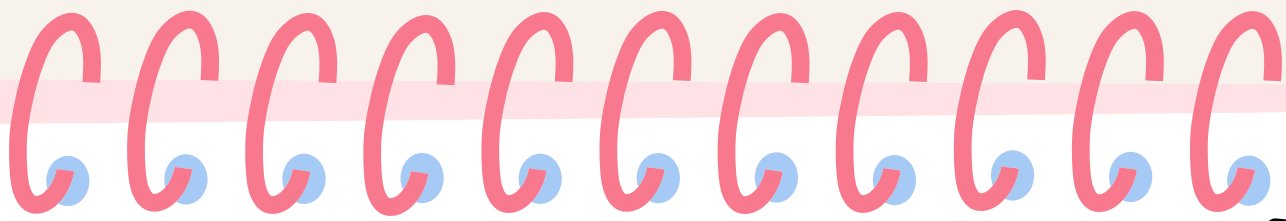
A BROAD CURRICULUM

Children will also engage in SESE (History, Geography & Science), Learn Together, Art, PE, Drama, SPHE, Wellbeing and different projects spanning touching on different subjects.

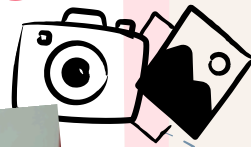
Over the course of 3rd class, your children will be encouraged to take more responsibility for their learning, while also giving lots of opportunities to explore creativity, teamwork, critical thinking and problem-solving.

Any questions on the curriculum please feel free to send an email via the office@ralet.ie (Attn: Jackie's 3rd Class)





Our Class Photo



For Appointments
office@ralet.ie

If you would like to arrange a meeting with a teacher at any point, please get in contact with a note, email, or phone call to the office and a meeting can be arranged.

thank
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