



Nansloe Academy & Nursery

Head of School: Mrs L Swiggs

9th January 2026

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas. All children have returned to school full of enthusiasm and ready to learn. This term will be joined by Miss Torrie who is completing her SCITT (School-Centred Initial Teacher Training) course. We are really excited to have her join the class.

Learning

Our topic this term is 'The Rainforest' which is a geography-based topic. We will be exploring where rainforests can be found, the features of rainforests and how they are changing. More information about what the children will be learning in Year 3 can be found on our class page on the school website:

https://www.nansloe.org.uk/welcome_to_year_3_-_gunwalloe

Spelling

This year, through our work with Grammarsaurus and in line with the revised Writing Framework 2025, children will be learning how words are built — not just memorised. Across the school, we will be focusing on etymology and morphology in spelling, which means understanding where words come from and how words are made up of smaller parts called morphemes. Please see the attached letter from Mrs Cooper for further information on spelling.

Homework

Reading is such an important skill for children to learn and underpins all they do. We recommend reading every day for all pupils, even if children are fluent readers already. Children can read to themselves and fill in their own reading records.

Inside their reading records, children have their TT Rockstars and Numbots logins. These are great programs that promote quick recall of times table facts and securing mental strategies when working with numbers. Please encourage your children to access these resources as they do support the learning taking place in class.

The school week

PE will take place on a Wednesday this term. It is important for children to attend school on these days wearing their PE kit which consists of a plain white t-shirt, black shorts or trousers and trainers or pumps. PE this term will be taught by Mr Eva (DT Coaching).

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Finally, if you have any questions or require more information, please don't hesitate to catch me on the gate at the end of the day or alternatively, leave a message with the office and I will get in contact with you as quickly as possible.

Kind regards,

Mr Matt Rapson

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