Thistledown Lane

Goodbye, Swallows

Series 2 · Episode 3

Free teaching pack · Ages 3 to 7



Skye the swallow is flying far away for the winter. It's alright to feel sad when a friend goes away.

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A gentle claymation series about kindness, friendship and the seasons on an English country lane.
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For grown-ups

The story

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The lesson

It's alright to feel sad when a friend goes away. Missing someone shows how much you like them.

🌿 Nature fact: Swallows fly to Africa

Swallows spend the summer in Britain, then fly all the way to Africa for the winter, where there are still insects to eat. In spring, many come back to the very same place.

💬 Talk about it

- Where was Skye going, and why?
- How did Bramble feel? Was she cross or sad?
- Who do you miss when they're away?
- How did the friends say goodbye to Skye?

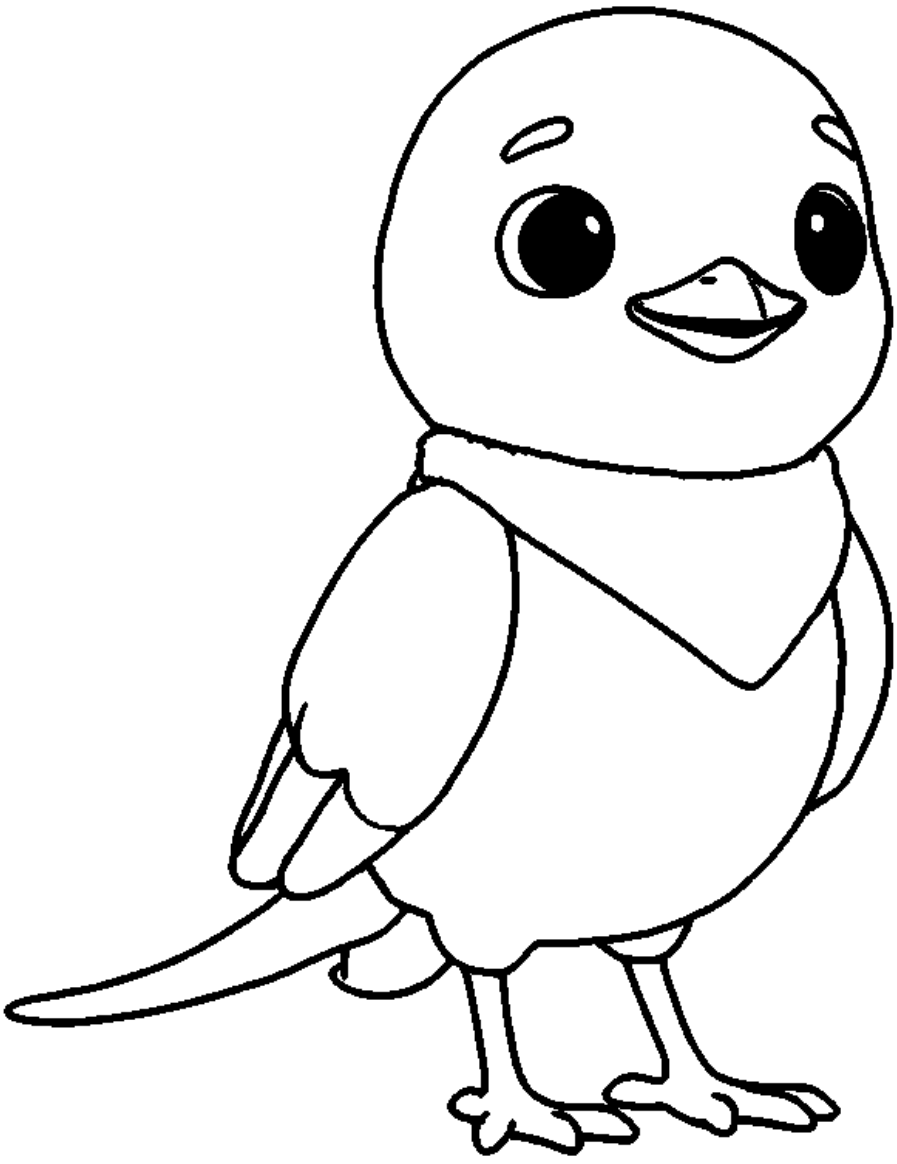
✂️ Try this: A goodbye picture

Draw a picture for someone you miss, or someone who's going away, and talk about what you'll do together when you see them again.

📚 Curriculum links

EYFS: Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Communication and Language; Understanding the World (the natural world); Expressive Arts and Design.
Key Stage 1: PSHE (relationships, feelings); Year 1 Science: seasonal changes; animals (birds).
Themes: Feelings: missing someone, Bird migration, Seasons.

Colour me in!



My name: _____

Draw and talk

Draw a picture for Skye to take on her long journey.

My name: _____