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Dear Parents/Carers,

It was fantastic to see some of you at our 'Meet the Teacher' meeting yesterday. As we know, some parents couldn't make it and some may want a written record of the information so here are some notes of the content of the meeting. The PPT shared at the meeting can be found on the Y3/4 page on the school website.

Staffing

Year 3/4 teaching staff for the 2024-25 academic year is as follows:

- 3/4A - Class teacher is Mrs Dagleish-Smith with teaching assistants Mrs Parker and Mrs Hill
- 3/4B - Class teacher is Mr Brough with teaching assistants Ms Edward and Mrs Hill
- 3/4C - Class teacher is Mr Morris and teaching assistants Miss Szaniszlo and Ms Godsell
- All classes will be taught music by Mrs Alvarez and one PE lesson by Mrs Champion.

Timetables

- 3/4A will have P.E. on a Monday and Thursday.
- 3/4B will have P.E. on a Tuesday and Friday.
- 3/4C will have P.E. on a Monday and Friday.
- Mrs Alvarez will also teach 3/4B on a Thursday afternoon.
- All children are expected to participate unless injured. Pupils are to wear their PE kits to school on these days. Uniform for PE is as follows: A red or white plain T-shirt, black or navy shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms, trainers, plain black or navy sweatshirt or zip-up jumper or red school jumper. Long hair must be tied back and earrings either removed or covered with earring tape (please provide this for your child). PE uniform must be plain and contain NO logos or brand names.
- Year 3 and 4 pupils will be taught Maths in separate groups – Year 3 pupils with Mrs Dagleish-Smith and Mr Frost. Year 4 pupils with Mr Morris and Mr Brough.

Curriculum and events

Year 3/4 Big Questions are as follows:

- Autumn term
 - What is it like to live near a volcano?
 - Which different people lived in Ancient Greece?
- Spring term
 - What does silence feel like?
 - How do tourists affect Italy's famous sites?
- Summer term
 - What would I experience on the Silk Roads?



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Attendance

Good attendance (above 95%) is extremely important to ensure that your child reaches their full potential both academically but also socially and in terms of their own personal development. Pupils should not be taken out of school for holidays or non-urgent medical appointments and should attend even if not feeling 100% well unless they have sickness and diarrhea or another highly contagious condition. Please ensure that your child attends school punctually so they have a settled, successful start to the day and are able to carry out the important handwriting practice which will happen during register time across the whole school.

Uniform and equipment

We believe that the wearing of a school uniform and a smart appearance fosters a sense of unity, belonging and maintains our high standards. Cirencester Primary School uniform consists of:

- Red sweatshirt or cardigan with/without embroidered school logo
- White or red polo shirt with logo or plain
- Black or grey pinafore dress, skirt, trousers, or shorts or red and white checked dress
- Black, white or grey tights/socks
- Sensible, comfortable outdoor shoes in black
- Earrings- studs only please
- No jewellery or nail varnish to be worn
- Long hair should be worn tied back
- No dyed/tinted/coloured hair

Please ensure that your child brings the following items to school every day:

- A water bottle filled with water only
- Their reading diary and reading book
- A waterproof coat
- Wellies as we will use the field throughout the winter – pupils can leave these in school (NAMED)
- No toys are to be brought in from home
- Snacks must be fresh fruit or vegetable based. No cereal bars, fruit winders, packets of crisps, crackers or biscuits please.
- Please ensure that all items of equipment and uniform are named to avoid them getting lost.

Home-school communication

We ask that you support us with homework, uniform and general expectations of our school. It is also important that you contact us if you feel there is something affecting your child's learning. We are keen to work together with you to ensure your child is happy and motivated to work hard at school and home. If you need to contact us the easiest ways are via email:

3/4A – gilliandaleigh-smith@cirencester-pri.gloucs.sch.uk

3/4B – tbrough@cirencester-pri.gloucs.sch.uk

3/4C – gmorris@cirencester-pri.gloucs.sch.uk

We will do our best to meet with you promptly as well as answer questions but please be aware that after 5pm, emails may not be seen until the following morning.

Newsletters will be sent out electronically fortnightly on a Friday. There is often important information on these so please ensure you read them carefully. Please ensure the office has an up to date email address for you. We also continue to use the online platform Seesaw to post photos, information and home learning activities. This is also a great place for you to share with us photos and news from home; we would particularly love to see photos of any further learning or discovery your child completes at home as well as any achievements from clubs and hobbies which we will then share and celebrate in class.

We look forward to a wonderful year of learning with your child.

Kind regards, The Year 3/4 team