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Dear 3B,

I am really pleased to tell you that I'm going to be your teacher next year in 4P! I can remember a lot of you when you were in Reception with Miss Pate. If anyone has joined St.Wilfrid's since then, I am really looking forward to meeting you.

I have been a teacher now at St.Wilfrid's since September 2015. So that is as long as some of you have been at St Wilfrid's if you came to our Nursery. I have worked in Reception for some years and I now I teach in KS2 in Year 4. At St Wilfrid's I am also responsible for leading the subject of History. I therefore support all the staff with the History curriculum and make sure that the topics we teach both in KS1 and KS2 teach you about Britain's past, changes over times and the wider world. I live with my husband and my son who is seventeen and we have a pet cat called Dillon.

Over the summer holidays, there are a few tasks you can do to prepare yourself for the Autumn term in Year 4:

- Practise your handwriting - you could write a letter back to me (the address is at the top of the letter) or copy out your favourite poem or and extract from a story.
- Use a ruler to draw straight lines and practise using scissors - get those hand muscles working again, maybe create a picture or a card.
- Read - anything and everything. In Autumn term we will be looking at the Horrid Henry (stories with familiar settings) written by Francesca Simon so you may want to start reading some of these books. We can have a chat about what you have been reading when we return.
- You may want to look at some poetry - we will be looking at Haiku and Cinquain poetry in Autumn term.
- Practise your times tables. You need to know your times tables up to 12 x 12. You could practise your recall of multiplication and division facts for all the times tables.

Next year, we have lots of exciting activities planned for you. For our first topic, we are travelling back in time to learn all about Romans, if you could do some research e.g. when were they around? What did the Romans do for us? What did a traditional Roman soldier look like? - you could draw and label this. What important work did the Romans do for us? Or any other research would be great. In science, we will be looking at electricity and circuits - you could make a list of all the items you have in your house that use electricity (I bet you'll be surprised how long that list is).

Obviously, we haven't seen all of you for a while now, but don't worry about moving into Year 4. When you come back, your classroom will be upstairs and you will still learn from your desks. We will find out how you are and how you have been getting on at home. We can answer any questions that you may have and talk about anything that may be worrying you being back at school. All your teachers are here to support and guide you. Things may not be quite back to 'normal' yet but you are not alone and we can support each other and enjoy being back at school.

I'm really excited about being your teacher and I can't wait to see you all in September.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Peplow