

This week

- Wed 24 Sept: Friends of Thomas Coram School AGM, 7.45pm for 8.00pm
- Thu 25 Sept: Parent/carer information session on the new Primary National Curriculum and new National Curriculum assessment, 9.00am-10.00am. (To be repeated later in the year)
- Fri 26 Sept: Year 3 Foundling Dress Up Day
- Fri 26 Sept : European Day of Languages

Dates further ahead

- Fri 3 Oct: Harvest Worship – more information next week
- Fri 3 Oct: Photograph orders to be returned to school

Notices and reminders

Saying goodbye (or au revoir) to people can always be a sad time - though it's worth remembering the exciting things individuals might be going on to do! Things come in threes this week: Mrs Histed, our business manager, recently retired after nearly 25 years' service to the school: an amazing achievement. She has managed the school, especially our finances, without fault. We are also bidding farewell to Mrs Brightman, one of our teaching assistants as she begins an exciting new career. We thank her for the immense support she has given to teaching staff and to the individuals she has supported, taught, and worked with. She will be missed. We will also bid a temporary farewell to Mrs Thomson, as she shortly begins her maternity leave. She goes with our very best wishes; we look forward to seeing both her and new arrival later in the year.

This Sunday 21 September, is the **annual Bikefest** in Canal Fields, Berkhamsted (2-4.30pm). The event is for the whole family; for more information visit <http://transitionberkhamsted.org.uk/2014/bikefest-2014-september-21st/>

Author Sue Hampton visited us to share her twentieth title 'Gorilla Dreams.' Pupils have taken home details of the book and a free show. Sue also invited children to various events and to enter a free competition which gives their imaginations room to run wild. There's a poster in school with details and we have some entry forms in the Learning Resource Centre at school. For more details visit <http://www.suehamptonauthor.co.uk/>.

Did you know that there are **over 1000 children and young people in care in Hertfordshire?** Many of these children have not had the opportunity to experience family life nor had carers to support and nurture them. Hertfordshire County Council is searching for people who can become foster carers and work with them to inspire, motivate and nurture these vulnerable children to help them achieve their goals. Visit www.hertsdirect.org/fostering to see how you can help.

Recent letters

Last week we sent out these letters which are also available on our website:

- Year 3 Foundling Day at Thomas Coram School
- New pupils – Volunteering in School

This week's attachments

Today we're attaching (also available on our website):

- Key Dates
- Reply slip for National Curriculum session
- Berkhamsted Raiders Inclusive Football

Photographs have been given to children today and all orders should be returned to school by **Friday 3 October** for collection by the photographers.

If you would like to attend the **parent/carer information session** on the new Primary National Curriculum and new National Curriculum assessment arrangements on Thursday 25 September, please complete the attached reply slip.



September 2014

Key dates for academic year 2014-2015

Autumn term

Friday 17 October, 2pm	Thomas Coram's Royal Charter Day service, St Peters
Wednesday 26 November, 4-8:30pm	Consultation evening
Tuesday 16 December, 2pm	Years 3 and 4 Christmas production
Wednesday 17 December, 6:30pm	Years 3 and 4 Christmas production
Thursday 18 December, noon	Christmas lunch
Friday 19 December, 10:30am	End of term service, St Peters

Spring term

Tuesday 3 February, 4-8:30pm	Consultation evening
Thursday 5 February, 4-8:30pm	Consultation evening
Wednesday 11 February, 2pm	Lent service, St Peters
Tuesday 31 March, 2pm	Year 5 Easter production
Wednesday 1 April, 6:30pm	Year 5 Easter production
Thursday 2 April, 10:30am	End of term service, St Peters

Summer term

Wednesday 20 May, 2pm	Pentecost service, St Peters
Wednesday 8 July	Sports day
Thursday 9 July	Reserve sports day (if wet on Wednesday 8 July)
Wednesday 15 July, 2pm	Year 6 production
Thursday 16 July, 7pm	Year 6 production
Wednesday 22 July, 10:30am	End of term service, St Peters



September 2014

Parent information session – 25 September 2014, 9-10am

I/We would like to attend the parent/carer information session on the new Primary National Curriculum and new National Curriculum assessment arrangements on Thursday 25 September, 9-10am.

Parent/carer name(s).....

Child's name..... Class.....

Signed.....

Date.....

Please return this form to your child's class teacher.



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