

This week

- Fri 27 Mar: Friends of Thomas Coram School Disco, 3.30-5.00pm

Dates further ahead

- Tue 31 Mar: Year 5 Easter Production, 2.00pm
- Wed 1 Apr: End of term service at St Peter's Church, **2.00pm**
- Wed 1 Apr: Year 5 Easter Production, 6.30pm
- Thu 2 Apr: School closes for Easter break, 1.00pm

[A full calendar is available on our website](#)

Notices and reminders

Last Friday we raised in excess of £250 for [Comic Relief!](#) Thank you for your donations and well done to all those who entered the cake competition.

Please note that our [end of term service at St Peter's](#) on Wednesday 1 April will be at 2.00pm. All parents/carers are welcome to join us and we would appreciate volunteers to walk down (and back) with us; please come to reception at 1.20pm.

The [training days and occasional holiday dates](#) for the school year 2015/2016 have now been set and are available on our website www.thomascoram.herts.sch.uk/our-school/calendar.

Tickets are now available for the [Year 5 Easter production](#), Jonah – a fishy tale, and a request form (also available on our website) has been emailed to all Year 5 parents.

Three of our brave parents have entered [The Inaugural Berkhamsted Triathlon on Sunday 26 April 2015!](#) The event starts at The Knox-Johnston Sports Centre on Kings Road and comprises a 400m swim, a 20km (12 mile) cycle and an 8km (5 mile) run. We will be sending information and envelopes home in book bags about how you can sponsor our triathletes and raise funds for Thomas Coram. Our entrants are Kate and Phil Bailey and Louise Brookes - so please wish them luck when you see them!

Hertfordshire Constabulary is launching [Operation Gnome](#), a new initiative to help remind residents to keep their gardens, outbuildings and allotments secure. Spring is traditionally a time when burglars target sheds, garages and outbuildings, looking for power tools, bikes and other expensive items stored in them. They also look for tools left in gardens such as spades, garden forks and ladders, which can be used to help them break into homes. For more detailed security advice please visit www.herts.police.uk or call the non-emergency number 101.

Recent letters

Last week we sent out these letters:

- Year 5 Easter Production Ticket Request
- Solar Eclipse

This week's attachments

Today we're attaching:

- Supermarket Vouchers
- School Milk
- Frogmore Paper Mill Easter Activities

We are collecting [Sainsbury's Active Kid vouchers](#). If you have any, please send them into school with your child. These vouchers are used to purchase not only sporting equipment, but also a variety of cooking utensils to encourage active participation in food technology lessons.

Don't forget to order your [supermarket vouchers for April](#). Orders should be received by Monday 30 March.

The spring issue of the [Dacorum Family Services Newsletter](#) is now available on our website www.thomascoram.herts.sch.uk/2011/09/latest-letters.



Supermarket Vouchers Orders – April

Orders to be returned no later than Monday 30 March

March's voucher order raised £182.90. If you would like to help us increase this amount please order some vouchers and see how easy it is. Thank you to all who ordered.

In September we had a very disappointing 4 parents/carers and 7 staff ordering vouchers but **amazingly** in March, 14 parents/carers and 8 staff ordered vouchers most of them now ordering on regular basis!!

Please, please keep ordering. It really is a worthwhile scheme to participate in as it is **at no extra cost to you**, but so very rewarding for the school.

Please note: John Lewis vouchers can be redeemed on-line and click and collect allows you to collect from the store (Waitrose), saving you delivery charge.

WisePay Payments – you can pay for your vouchers, using your debit/credit card, through WisePay, Donations Manager (please follow the WisePay link via our school website. WisePay payments will be charged to your account on the day you process your transaction. You will still need to send in the completed form below to advise which vouchers you will require. Should you have any problems using Wise Pay please contact the school office. Cheques are still very much welcome, if that suits you. These will be banked on or after 30 April.

Voucher collection date is Thursday 30 April.

REMEMBER, you have to purchase food/clothes so why not help your school at the same time?!!

Please indicate the number of vouchers you wish to order for April
To be returned to school by Monday 30 March.



	Tesco (Gift Card)	Sainsbury	Waitrose (Gift Card)	
	£10 £	£10 £	£10 £	
	£20 £	£20 £	£25 £	
	N/A	N/A	£50 £	
	£50 £	N/A	£100 £	
Total	£	£	£	Total £

Cheques should be made payable to **The Thomas Coram CE School**

* I will personally collect the vouchers/I authorise my son/daughter to collect the vouchers

Please delete as applicable

Signed.....Parent/Carer

Child's Name.....Class.....



20 March 2015

Dear parents and carers

School Milk Regulations

Following the introduction of new regulations in January 2015, schools now have a duty to offer milk to all pupils in Key Stage 2. From the summer term we will be able to supply your child with milk, if you wish. This will need to be ordered and paid for in advance. The cost will be **£13.20** for the summer term. You can pay online through Wisepay or alternatively, cheques should be made payable to Hertfordshire County Council. Children receiving free school meals are entitled to have free milk, but will need to order in advance.

If you wish your child to have school milk for the summer term, please complete the form below and return to the school office **no later than Friday 27 March 2015.**

Yours sincerely



Mr R Halls
Headteacher



School Milk - Summer Term 2015

Child's Name: Class:.....

*I (enclose/have paid through WisePay) the sum of £13.20 for milk for summer term 2015.

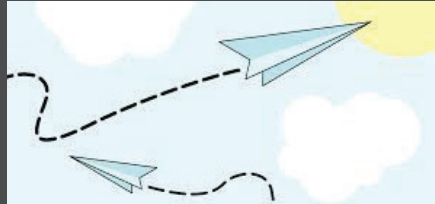
*My child receives Free School Meals and wishes to have milk.

**Please delete as applicable*

Signed:parent/carer Date:



Easter Holiday Family Fun at Frogmore Paper Mill



PAPER FLIGHT

Thursday April 9th &
Friday April 10th
10.00 to 14.30

BOOK NOW

A 2-day tutor led paper-crafting course for just £5.00 per child (adults go free).
Phone 01442 234600 to reserve your place.



Drop-In Crafting Sessions

Tuesday April 7th, Wednesday April 8th and
Monday April 13th through to Friday April 17th
the mill will be open for untutored, 2 hour drop-in
crafting sessions at 11.00 and 13.30. Come and make
your own paper objects - we provide all the tools
and materials. Children just £3.00 and adults free.

T: 01442 234600

www.thepapertrail.org.uk

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