

## This week

- 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
- Wed 1 Apr: Lost property in dining room, 3.15-4.00pm
- Thu 2 Apr: Lost property in dining room, 8.45-9.15am
- Thu 2 Apr: School closes for Easter break, 1.00pm

## Dates further ahead

- Tue 21 Apr: Pupils return for summer term

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

## Notices and reminders

On Monday 30 March there will be an [Easter theme day in the dining room at lunchtime](#). There will be a special Easter menu with a choice of Spring Sausages, Easter Time Pizza or Jacket Potatoes for main course followed by Easter Bunny Shortbread Biscuits or Easter Muffins for dessert. School meals cost £2.20 per day. Everyone having a school lunch on this day will automatically be in with a chance to win a prize!

Tickets are still available for the [Year 5 Easter production](#), Jonah – a fishy tale; a request form is available on our website.

Our [end of term service](#) will take place at St Peter's Church on Wednesday 1 April 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.

[All lost property items](#) will be gathered together and laid out in the dining room on the dates and times listed above. If your child has lost anything during the term, please do take the opportunity to come and look for it. Anything unnamed and unclaimed at the end of term will be either disposed of or donated to the Friends of Thomas Coram's second hand uniform stock.

The Friends of Thomas Coram would like to thank 3TG for an enormous supply of delicious cakes for the sale last week which [raised a fantastic £123.50 for the school](#). The next sale is on Friday 24 April which will be run by 4BC.

## Recent letters

Last week we sent out these letters:

- Year 5 Visit to College Lake
- Supermarket Vouchers

## This week's attachments

Today we're attaching:

- News from the Friends of Thomas Coram
- ADHD/ASD/Communication Disorder or Sensory Processing Needs Support Group
- Letter from former pupils to raise funds for a new Sports Hall at Ashlyns

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.

Details of [Sportspace Easter Activities](#) are available on [www.sportspace.co.uk/kids/holiday-activities](http://www.sportspace.co.uk/kids/holiday-activities)



The Friends of Thomas Coram School,  
Swing Gate Lane,  
Berkhamsted,  
Hertfordshire  
HP4 2RP

Dear Parents,

The spring term is nearly over and we are planning events for the summer including a **Fair (Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June)**, a Swish night and a Summer Camp! We also have a small team of parents who are entering the Berkhamsted Triathlon to raise money jointly for school and other charities. We have Kate Bailey from the team in the spotlight this week (centre of the photograph):



From Kate:

*As runner, cyclist and 'sort-of' swimmer I have always thought about doing a triathlon. When the Berkhamsted Triathlon was announced I thought I would lay my excuses to rest and give it a go to raise much needed money for two very different charities which mean a lot to me. So at the risk of all manner of Laurel and Hardy type moments in transition, I have joined Louise Brookes and Phil Bailey (aka Team TC) and am in training to complete the inaugural Berkhamsted Triathlon on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April! Please give what you can and help to support:*

### ***Thomas Coram School, Berkhamsted***

*There are a lot of activities the children benefit from which are not paid for by the statutory school funding. The extra funds raised by the Friends of Thomas Coram aim to broaden the scope of educational experiences available to all children at the school, helping to put the 'cherry on the cake'. Fun, play and learning in the outside environment is important and we are currently fund-raising for a new wooden outdoor play structure to be built for all of the children to enjoy.*



## Cardiac Risk in the Young

*Every week in the UK at least 12 young people die of undiagnosed heart conditions. Since its formation in 1995, Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) has been working to reduce the frequency of young sudden cardiac death (YSCD). CRY supports young people diagnosed with potentially life-threatening cardiac conditions and offers bereavement support to families affected by YSCD. CRY promotes and develops heart screening programmes and funds medical research. CRY publishes and distributes medical information written by leading cardiologists for the general public. CRY funds fast track referral, screening and cardiac pathology services at leading UK hospitals.*

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I'm sure you would like to join me in sending a big thank you to Kate Bailey, Phil Bailey and Louise Brookes for committing to the Triathlon to help raise money for such worthy Charities.

Requests for sponsorship will be out soon.

## Treasurer's Report

Here's a quick update on what we have been doing, what we have raised and how it's been spent.

### Fund Raising

- ✓ Christmas Fair – Almost £6,000
- ✓ Quiz Night - £450
- ✓ Comedy night - £1,400
- ✓ Cakes and cookies - £250
- ✓ Movie nights - £600

### Spending

Screen for drama studies	£	1,025.00
Immersive Theatre	£	304.60
Hinduism Workshop	£	390.00
Cameras	£	471.36
Dice	£	62.97
Panto	£	250.00
Classroom equip	£	452.70
Junior thesaurus	£	479.80
Drama workshop	£	495.00

Thanks for reading,

Richard Roscoe.

*P.S. Next week I will give you details of the big project that school have asked us to support. (Kate has given an indication of what it is in her note above).*



**Are you a parent of a child with  
ADHD/ASD/Communication Disorder or with  
Sensory Processing needs?**

A new daytime support group is being set up at Westfield Primary School for parents across Berkhamsted.

The group will initially be facilitated by Lisa MacGovern (School Family Worker) and Jacquelyn Rumsey (INCO at Westfield Primary). Cathy May from ADD-vance will attend the initial gathering to help establish the group.

Please join us for a planning meeting!

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May

At Westfield Primary School, Durrants Lane, Berkhamsted, HP4 3PJ

Coffee will be available from 9am

Dear Parents and Staff at Thomas Coram School,

We are ex-pupils of Thomas Coram and now go to Ashlyns school. You may be aware that Ashlyns school are in the process of having a new Sports Hall being built.



In order for this project to be completed we need to raise an additional £60,000 to equip the hall.



In order to support our school in raising this money we are taking part in the 5km Mud Warrior Adrenalin assault course race.

I am sure that one day your child will be coming to Ashlyns and your help will benefit your child in the future.

Please help us by making a donation by going to the following link-

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/jessanddanwarriors>

Thank you for supporting us,

Jess and Daniel Stace

If you would like to find out more about the Sports Hall and challenge go to -

<http://ashlynssportscentre.com/>

<http://www.warrioradrenalinrace.co.uk>