

## This week

- Wed 9 Sep: Individual photographs (whole school)
- Wed 9 Sep: Friends of Thomas Coram AGM, 7.45pm for 8.00pm

## Dates further ahead

- Mon 14 Sep: Meet the Teacher evening, 7.00pm-8.00pm

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

## Notices and reminders

On Tuesday you will receive a welcome letter and curriculum overview for the autumn term for your child. I hope that many of you will be able to attend our 'Meet the Teacher' evening on Monday 14 September at 7.00pm.

[Individual photographs will be taken in school on Wednesday](#), so please make sure your child continues to look as smart as they have begun! Parents will have the option of buying a copy of the photographs.

[If your child is having school meals](#), please make sure there is money on their WisePay account. Meals should be paid for in advance and you have the option to pay for either the full term, half a term or a week in advance, whichever suits you. For new pupils, your user name and password was sent home with your child on Friday.

If you think your [child may be entitled to free school meals](#), apply online at [www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals](http://www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals). Remember that all children use their finger at the canteen tills and nobody can tell who is in receipt of free school meals.

The online application system has opened for parents and carers of children in Year 6 to apply for [a secondary school place for entry in September 2016](#). All Year 6 pupils have been given a named paper copy of the 'Moving on 2016' booklet today. The closing date for applications is 31 October 2015. All the information you need is available at [www.hertsdirect.org/admissions](http://www.hertsdirect.org/admissions).

[If you are interested in being part of the Friends of Thomas Coram](#), either as a committee member or helper, then please come to the AGM on Wednesday at 7.45pm for 8.00pm.

Any parents or children who are interested in joining the St Peter's Church Choir are welcome to a [Bring and Share Picnic/BBQ to be held at the Rectory on Sunday 13 September from noon to 2.30pm](#). If wet, the event will take place in the Court House. There will be entertainment organised for the children by Father Tom Plant. Please contact [churchoffice@greatberkhamsted.org.uk](mailto:churchoffice@greatberkhamsted.org.uk) if you wish to attend. Should anyone be unable to come they are welcome any Tuesday at 5.15pm or Friday at 7.00pm in the church.

## Recent letters

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

- Welcome letter from the Headteacher

## This week's attachments

Today we're attaching:

None

In the interest of children's safety, parents are urged to take extreme [care when parking](#) near to the school. There is considerable congestion at the top of Swing Gate Lane and **there are no facilities on the school premises for parents to park or drop their children off**. The car park is strictly for staff only, although some parking is available in the Velvet Lawn car park. It is an offence to park on the yellow zig-zag lines. Please be thoughtful and considerate to others.