

This week

- w/b Mon 9 May: Year 6 Key Stage 2 National Tests
- Fri 13 May: Friends of Thomas Coram Cake and Cookie Stall 3HG

Dates further ahead

- Mon 19 May: Year 6 leavers' photographs
- Fri 27 May: School closes for half term break

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

Notices and reminders

As with last year, parents/carers do not need to [re-apply for free school meals](#) for September:

- Any child receiving a free meal as well as 100% music remission will be renewed for both
- Letters will only be sent to families whose children are no longer entitled to receive a free meal
- During August 2016, the school will receive confirmation of who is entitled to receive a free meal and 100% music remission
- Anyone currently receiving 50% music remission needs to re-apply at www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals from 8 June 2016

We are hosting a children's [Book Fair from Travelling Books in the library from 23 to 27 May](#). It will be open to pupils at lunch time and to parents, carers and pupils from 3.15pm to 4.00pm. Once again, Travelling Books is offering three books for the price of two; the cheapest book being free. Our school receives commission on all books sold, which is spent on new books for our library. Payment for purchases can be by cash or cheque (payable to The Thomas Coram CE School). Any cash should be in a named envelope and handed to your child's class teacher at morning registration for safe keeping.

Thank you to parents for supporting the [Friends of Thomas Coram Cake and Cookie sale](#). Our next sale, hosted by 3HG, is on Friday 13 May. If there are any parents/carers of children in 3HG able to help man the stall, please let a member of the Friends or Mrs Cutler know. Thank you.

[The Friends of Thomas Coram Silent Auction](#): The Friends have worked hard to secure around 80 fabulous prizes for you, donated by generous local businesses. Some prizes will be available at the summer fair and other events but we are making some available now so you can plan them into your summer. The highest bid received by 1 June wins and every penny raised goes directly to our school. We really appreciate your support and hope you can grab yourself a bargain whilst raising additional funds for your child's education. Your child will be bringing home a list of the current prizes to bid. Send any questions and bids to Justine at justinepedrick@yahoo.co.uk. Good luck!

Recent letters

Last week we sent out these letters:

- Year 4 - The Percy Birtchnell Memorial Prize 2016

This week's attachments

Today we're attaching:

- Hemel Hempstead Swimming Club

There will be **no Big Write this week** due to the Key Stage 2 National Tests. The next Big Write is on Thursday 19 May.

We are collecting [Sainsbury's Active Kid vouchers](#). If you have any, please send them into school as soon as possible. Thank you.

We have some complimentary children's tickets for the [Herts County Show](#) to be held on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 May. Please contact the office if you are interested in having one of these – first come, first served.

There will be an [All Age Service at St Peter's Church](#) in the Lady Chapel at 11.15am on Sunday 15 May, followed by a bring and share BBQ. Please let Helen know if you plan to join the BBQ – helenmn@hotmail.co.uk.



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Are you ready to take your swimming to the next level ?

Does the excitement of competition appeal?
Do you like being part of a team?
Would you like to make new friends?
.. all this whilst staying fit and healthy !

If so and your child is currently in school years 2,3,4 or 5 with Stage 5 or above in their current swimming lessons, then please join us for our open trial.

Come and meet the team, meet the swimmers and have a go - come and find out what we are all about.

Sunday 15th May 2016
6pm - 7pm
Flexi pool, Hemel Hempstead

We would love to see you there, if you would like to book a space or have any questions, please contact membership@hhsc.org.uk