

This week

- Mon 22 to Fri 26 May: Book Fair
- Thu 25 May: Year 5 Greek Day
- Fri 26 May: Cake & Cookie sale, 3HW
- Fri 26 May: School closes for half term break

Dates further ahead

- Mon 5 Jun: Pupils return after half term break
- Thu 15 Jun: Sports Day
- Fri 16 Jun: Reserve Sports Day

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

Notices and reminders

We are hosting a [children's Book Fair from Travelling Books](#) in the library from 22 to 26 May. It will be open to pupils at lunch time and to parents, carers and pupils from 3.15pm to 4.00pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. 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, cheque (payable to The Thomas Coram CE School), or by phone over Travelling Books' secure payment telephone line. Any cash should be in a named envelope and handed to your child's class teacher at morning registration for safe keeping.

It is now time for the school to [book music lessons for the next academic year](#). We are pleased to offer pupils the opportunity to either start learning an instrument or to continue with lessons. Please complete the music application form, which was emailed to all parents and is available on our website, by Friday 9 June so that arrangements for September can be made.

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 2017, 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.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals from 8 June 2016.

Recent letters

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

- Music Application 2017-2018

This week's attachments

Today we're attaching:

- Mindfulness Course for Parents
- Home-Start New Volunteer Preparation Course

A reminder to parents/carers that [children should wear black shoes](#) for school, and either **white or black socks**. A uniform list is available on our website www.thomascoram.herts.sch.uk/uniform/

The [Friends of Thomas Coram](#) would like to thank all supporters of 4KD's cake sale, raising £119.89, the best Year 4 class performance so far and just £6 short of beating the current leaders, Year 5! The next sale will be on Friday 26 May hosted by 3HW.

[This week at St Peter's](#) - it's Third Sunday Service at 4pm. This month the topic will be baptism and families who have had children baptised in the last year and those who are preparing are welcome. It will be an informal service lasting about 30 minutes, followed by a children's tea.

Would you like to improve your health,
well-being and quality of life in general?
Why not learn about Mindfulness?

Research has shown people who are mindful are happier, healthier and less likely to experience depression and anxiety. Regular practice increases immunity and brain function, and could help with Alzheimer's and dementia.



8 week course for parents 'Introduction to Mindfulness'

Westfield Primary School, Berkhamsted HP4 3JP

Tuesdays Sept. 12th 19th 26th Oct. 10th 17th Nov. 14th 21st 28th

7.00pm to 8.00pm £50 per person, more details at

www.MindfulHerts.com

Price includes worksheets, recordings and refreshments.

Contact Mel to book your place: 07939817676 ,
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Your support can help them build positive and healthy
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**Just 2-3 hours of your time each week can make a
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VOLUNTEER TRAINING

**Wednesday 9.30 – 2.30pm in Hemel
8 weeks starting 20th September 2017**

For further info please call 01438 367788

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