

This week

- Sat 2 Dec: Friends of Thomas Coram Christmas Fair, 11am-2pm

Dates further ahead

- Wed 13 Dec: Year 3 Christmas Production, 1.45pm
- Thu 14 Dec: Year 3 Christmas Production, 6.30pm
- Mon 18 Dec: Christmas lunch
- Tues 19 Dec: Christmas Service at St Peter's, 10.30am
- Tues 19 Dec: End of term, 1.00pm

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

Notices and reminders

Our [annual parent/carer survey](#) is still open for your response. This year we are using Google forms to collect your opinions. In your child's planner you will find a unique reference number to assist you complete the survey.

At the end of the school day, there is considerable congestion at the top of Swing Gate Lane. Please can we ask you to be considerate of other road users and [park safely in the roads around the locality of the school](#), as there is limited parking outside the school.

As the weather is becoming colder, please can we ask you to ensure that pupils have [appropriate warm outerwear](#) for break times and outdoor PE lessons. We allow your child to wear a black/dark tracksuit if it is cold.

Look out for tickets and details of the [Year 3 Christmas Production](#) which will be sent out on Monday via your Year 3 child.

Thank you for all the [Sainsbury Active Kids vouchers](#) that were sent into school this year. With the vouchers we have managed to purchase several items for the Food Technology room and playground equipment for the pupils to use at lunchtimes. We took delivery of this order last week and the pupils will soon be able to use the playground equipment to occupy their lunchtimes.

Hertfordshire County Council is consulting on proposals to [amend the 2019/20 admission arrangements](#) for community/voluntary controlled primary, junior and middle schools. Hertfordshire County Council is also coordinating the consultation process for any own admission authority school or academy in Hertfordshire that wishes them to do so. The consultation opens on 20 November 2017 and closes on 5 January 2018. The proposed admission arrangements, information about the consultation, and an online response form, can be found at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2019. Responses regarding Own Admission Authority Schools and Academies should be sent direct to the school or academy concerned.

Recent letters

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

- None

This week's attachments

Today we're attaching:

- Friends of Thomas Coram Christmas Fair
- Dacorum Family Services Drop In Surgery
- An Advent Celebration

Thank you for your donations to our [Children in Need collection](#) which raised £348.00.

We will once again have [our Christmas Post Box in school](#). If pupils would like cards to their friends and staff delivered free, they should place them in the post box in the dining room. Please make sure the full name and class to be delivered to is written on the envelope. A delivery will take place daily to each classroom until Friday 15 December.

[This week at St Peter's](#) - visit St Peter's from 2pm-4pm on Saturday for children's crafts, music, prayer and fun as they prepare for Christmas by exploring the themes of Advent. Suitable for children up to 10 years old (under 5s must be accompanied by an adult). There's no need to book, just go along.



Registered Charity
No. 1059645

The Christmas Fair is nearly here!



Final preparations for our Christmas Fair are happening as we write and we are looking forward to seeing lots of you tomorrow and want to say a massive THANK YOU for all your donations and time given this week... it is very much appreciated!

Christmas Trees



[Christmas Tree Place](#) (next to the A41 on the way to Ashley Green) is running a competition, with a prize for the school that buys the most Christmas trees. Last year, the winning school won £200! Simply take your Christmas tree leaflet with you when purchasing your tree! Keep your eyes peeled for the leaflet in your child's bag on Friday.

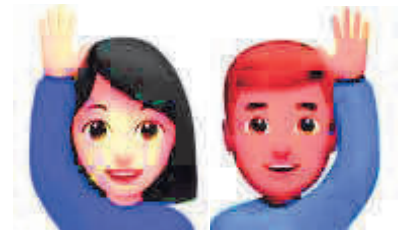
Raffle Tickets

Last week, we sent you home with raffle tickets in your parent pack. We hope you would like to buy some to be in with a chance to win one of our 15 fabulous Christmas Hampers. However, if you have any left-over tickets, please return these to school. There will also be more tickets available to purchase at the fair.



Silent Auction

We have already had silent auction bids flooding in! Remember to email TC_SilentAuction@outlook.com or bid at the fair.



We also have some **last-minute prizes** that will be up for grabs at the fair on Saturday... including **Strictly Come Dancing** tickets!

See you tomorrow!



Dacorum Family Services

Drop in Surgery at Ashlyns School

Wednesday 6th December 9-12pm and Tuesday
12th December 9-3pm 2017

WE OFFER FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT FOR LOCAL FAMILIES. WE CAN HELP YOU WITH:

Managing
your child's
feelings &
behaviours

Parenting
Advice

Family
Wellbeing

Routines &
Boundaries

Making
Positive
Changes

Linking with
other
Services

Lisa MacGovern is a positive, approachable and proactive person who is able to support you and your family to make the changes that really matter.

She is available via a referral or you can drop into one of her surgeries for an informal chat (Please call to book a time).



**For more information please call Lisa
on 07780114079**





The Parish Church of
St Peter Great Berkhamsted



An Advent Celebration

**Join us for crafts, music, prayer and fun
as we prepare for Christmas
by exploring the themes of Advent**



**Suitable for children up to age 10
Under-5s to be accompanied by a parent or carer**

**St Peter's Church, Berkhamsted
Saturday 2nd December
2 till 4pm**

**For more details, please contact the Parish Office
01442 878227**