

This week

- Thu 1 Feb: Year 5 Young Voices at the O2
- Fri 2 Feb: Year 6 Devon payment due, £65.00

Dates further ahead

- Mon 5 Feb: Year 4 Norfolk payment due, £55.00
- Mon 5 Feb: Deadline for cancellation of summer term music lessons
- Fri 9 Feb: School closes for half term break
- Fri 16 Feb: Federation consultation closes

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

Notices and reminders

We were delighted to welcome [the Rob Terry Trio, along with vocalist Lucy](#), to our school on Wednesday afternoon. They performed a mixture of traditional and modern jazz to Year 6 pupils from across the town. It was a marvellous opportunity for all the pupils to experience a professional performance as well as finding out how jazz developed. A big thank you to Mrs Briscoe for organising the concert and to Berkhamsted Jazz for enabling the school to host the performance.

We would like to remind pupils and parents that [football](#) is **not** permitted before the start of each school day as the lower playground in particular is very busy in the morning. We have also been asked to remind you that this rule also applies at Victoria Infant and Nursery School.

You will be aware that at the start of each year, [each child is given a book called a Planner](#). In this, you can communicate any questions, concerns or requests that you might have regarding your child's progress. We read these books regularly and sometimes put notes in them. The book has a page for every week to record their reading and for you to record when your child practises their reading with you. Homework tasks are also written in this book. It is important that your child brings their Planner to school each day and that it is signed each week by a parent or carer.

From time to time there can be cases of [head lice in school](#). When this happens, we need your help and support. Please tell us at once if your child has head lice. It is not a sign of dirty hair - quite the opposite in fact! We will of course keep this information confidential; however, we can then alert other parents to look out for head lice on their children. Head lice are easily treated with a lotion from your health centre or chemist. As soon as your child is clear, they may return to school.

Our governing body is holding [a consultation on creating a Federation](#) between Victoria CE Infant & Nursery School and The Thomas Coram CE School. The consultation document, and a link to the online response form, can be found on the collaboration page of our website www.thomascoram.herts.sch.uk/collaboration/. The consultation runs until Friday 16 February 2018 at midday.

Recent letters

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

- Supermarket Vouchers – February 2018
- Year 5 Young Voices – final instructons

This week's attachments

Today we're attaching:

- None

[Parent View](#) gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about the school on a range of issues, including how you are kept informed about your child's progress and the quality of teaching. The survey can be completed at any time; you can submit your views by clicking on the link at the bottom of the Home page of the school's website or by following this link:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

We are holding [a Mexican theme](#) day in the dining room on Monday 29 January. There will be tacos and fajitas and other Mexican food on the menu. Dinners cost £2.45 per day, payable in advance via your child's Wisepay account.

[This week at St Peter's](#) - Little Fishes toddler group meets in the Court House every Friday morning 9.30-11.30am during term with toys, creative activities, stories and singing. There's no need to book, just go along!