

This week

- Wed 11 July: Yr6 production (afternoon performance 1.30pm)
- Thurs 11 July: Yr6 production (evening performance 6.30pm)
- Fri 13 July: Friends of Thomas Coram cake sale Yr6

Dates further ahead

- Fri 20 July: End of term 1.00pm

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

Notices and reminders

This week our whole school worship has been led by 5HG. Continuing with our value of Respect, we have been reflecting on how we value special places.

At the beginning of the week, we were visited by staff from Berkhamsted library who came to launch the Summer Reading Challenge to pupils. This year the theme is 'Mischievous Makers'; pupils who complete the Challenge will be entered into a prize draw where they could win a ticket to an exclusive author event. The packs to complete this challenge are available from all Hertfordshire libraries from Saturday 14 July.

Our pupils who are learning to play a musical instrument either in or outside of school displayed their talents this week with a concert for parents and friends. We would like to thank Mrs Briscoe for organising this event, allowing the pupils to showcase their learning and talents.

Thursday was Transition Day with many of our Year 6 pupils visiting Ashlyns, whilst we welcomed new pupils who will be joining us in September. Our current pupils also spent part of the day with their new class teacher, getting to know the expectations for next year, as well getting to know each other.

Attendance is vitally important in ensuring the children make progress and we would like to congratulate pupils in 3HW (best class); Year 4 (best year group) and Malala (House) for their excellent attendance during the month of June. Year 5 have the best attendance so far this academic year.

Silent Auction bids that have been paid for will be sent home today with your child. If you won but have not yet paid please pay by Monday 9 July to receive your prize by the end of term. If your prize involves a teacher then this needs to be arranged directly with them.

Finally, we would like to wish our Year 4 Speed stackers the best of luck as they participate in the Level 3 Speed Stack being held at Oaklands College.

Recent letters

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

- Staffing September 2018
- Summer Reading Challenge
- Yr4 Pedestrian Skills Training
- Yr3 Scooter Training

This week's attachments

- Library News
- Creative Kids

This week at St Peter's

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the hot Petertide Fair last weekend – running stalls, singing or enjoying the atmosphere. We raised is £4500 which will be shared by our chosen charities, ToyBox and the Court House.

We are no longer selling any uniform through school. All uniform needs to be purchased through school essentials via the link on our website. Any uniform ordered can be delivered to school.

From September 2018 the price of a school lunch will be £2.50.

Day tickets are still available for the FOTC camping event and can be bought "on the door" tomorrow.

LIBRARY NEWS

We have had a great year in the library this year, and read some fantastic books with the children. The year 3 pupils impressed with their ideas on how to change the world for the better after reading 'Malala's Magic Pencil' by Malala Yousefzai. Years 4 and 5 drew some fantastic cartoons after reading some Ancient Greek and Egyptian myths as part of their topic. Whilst Year 6 enjoyed a ghost story set at Ashlyns, based on the story of the Foundling Hospital – 'Lucky Button' by Micheal Morpurgo.

We were extremely impressed with all the entrants to the Book Review competition we held to celebrate World Book Day back in March and I'm pleased to include the winning entries below for you all to read.

We've held two very successful Book Fairs and managed to raise nearly £1500 to spend on new books. Thank you so much for your support, it is much appreciated!

We hope you all have a brilliant summer – and remember to keep reading!

BOOK REVIEW WINNERS

In honour of World Book Day all the children were asked to write a review of their favourite book. We have picked out the best two from each year group, we hope you enjoy these brilliantly written reviews and they inspire you to pick up a new book!

Year 3

Oliver 3RP

The World's Worst Children 2 by David Walliams

This book is about the worst children you could ever imagine, they are very different and they are all very naughty. So if these were your sisters or brothers it would be terrible! I also like it because you never know what mischief they are up to now.

Bethany 3LC

How to be a pirate by Cressida Cowell

This book is from the 'How to train your dragon' series and is about a young Viking hero named Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third. What happens in this book is, there is some hidden treasure which is almost impossible to find. This is because it is in an underground canyon that NO ONE (except from Hiccup) can get out of. Hiccup meets the Strangulator, which almost kills him, and kills Alvin the Treacherous (or does he....?)

This book is funny, if you're like me, and a little bit creepy! 8/10 star rating.

Year 4

Theadora 4KD

Magnus Chase and the Hammer of Thor by Rick Riordan

This book is all about how Magnus Chase, Samirah al-Abbas, Hearthstone, Blitzen and Alex Ferrio go on an adventure with the immortal warriors of Odin to bond the Gods worst enemy, Loki. They have to fight Gods, Vikings and Monsters, as well as travelling between the nine worlds. It is a thrilling novel that always holds suspense and mystery. I would definitely recommend this book to anyone between the ages of 8 and 12, because it is the type of thrilling novel anyone in primary school would want to read.

My favourite part of the book was when Samirah al-Abbas was being forced to get married because they pull a really funny stunt. I really enjoyed this book and I think everyone else will too!

Alice 4VM

Little Foxes by Michael Morpurgo

This is a fantastic book about a young boy called Billy who rescues a fox from a terrible fate. But will Billy's love ruin the fox's chances of remaining wild?

I like this book because it is so full of description and tension. If you love wildlife and nature, you'll love this book – it's a must read.

Year 5

Finley 5RM

Percy Jackson and the Sea of Monsters by Rick Riordan

Percy Jackson, son of the Greek God Poseidon, embarks on his second adventure with his new friend Tyson, a cyclops. Against his two worst enemies he journeys across the Bermuda Triangle for the legendary golden fleece, facing powerful challenges along the way.

This book contains slightly scary scenes and I recommend it for 8-15 year olds. It has insights and facts about Greek beliefs and mythology in the modern world. It is creative, gripping and exciting.

Anna 5RM

Wonder by R J Palacio

Wonder is a heartwarming book about a boy called August, who is deformed. It is about his life and how he is treated. He gets bullied and makes new friends. I recommend this book to year 5 and above. I like this book because it teaches us that we are all equal. This book is emotional and makes you think about how you treat people, even if they are different. Five stars.

Year 6

Christopher 6AP

Gone by Micheal Grant

The Gone series is an amazingly thrilling dystopian series that challenges the reader not to look away. The main layout of the series is when a mysterious dome, that hurts to touch, magically appears in the middle of a Californian town that leaves everyone under the age of 15 to survive, grow their own food and kill. Although this series has scenes of cruelty I would highly recommend it to anyone who has an amazing taste in books.

In my opinion, my favourite book of the series is 'Light' where the dome turns transparent on both sides. The worst part of the series though is when it ended; I was almost in tears!

Kate 6AP

Ruby Redfort by Lauren Child

I love this book series because it is full of fun, action and adventure and is about a young agent (Ruby Redfort) who is always getting herself into perilous danger. She comes face to face with many dangerous criminals in many life threatening situations. I guarantee that in every read you will be on the edge of your seat unable to put the book down.

Ruby Redfort shows what life can be like for a teenage girl that juggles school and being a field agent. Get ready to be swallowed up into a world of teenage slang as she attempts the unattempted. But remember she can always rely on her friend Clancy, can't she?

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