



**Victoria**  
Church of England  
Infant & Nursery School

23 November 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

### Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need. We raised £120.28.

### Beech Class Assembly

Beech Class led us through their learning this term with songs, artwork and writing on Tuesday this week. They also caused us to reflect on the importance of remembrance and displayed some ceramic poppies to rival those shown at the Tower of London in 2014. It was a really lovely assembly.

### Travelling Crib

The Mothers' Union joined us in assembly on Monday to tell the children about the 'Travelling Crib'. They are running a drawing competition, the winners of which will host the crib for a night during Advent. Please read the attached document for more details.

### Swing Gate Nursery Visit

Our friends from the Nursery at Swing Gate School visited us on Thursday morning. They enjoyed a snack and a story before returning to their own school and it was lovely to think that these children will all find themselves together again in a few years at Thomas Coram.

### Reflector Sales

We have had some feedback from the children that they wanted to buy a reflector but were not able to on the days the Reflector Shop was set up this week, so we will be selling them again next Monday and Wednesday from 3:00pm - 3:15pm.

### Star of the Week



#### Acorn

Wilf for super understanding of our senses lessons and lovely listening.

#### Maple

Sam for being helpful when making costumes.

#### Oak

Jack for working really hard in phonics.

#### Beech

Mason for trying hard in the class assembly and being very engaged on the trip.

#### Cedar

Mila for making the most of guided group time with the teacher.

#### Hazel

Samuel for giving lots of fantastic answers to questions in lessons this week.

## Maths Information Evening

A reminder that we are running a curriculum evening on maths next Tuesday 27 November from 6:30pm - 7:30pm. It will be fun, interactive and informative so please come along to find out how maths is taught at Victoria and how you can support your child.

## Year 2 Singing at Christmas Fair

Christmas preparations are officially underway and Year 2 are beginning to practise singing carols, as they will be going out into the community to sing to our friends at the Royal British Legion and the 1066 Club in December. They will also be performing at the Christmas Fair on Saturday 8 December so please put this date in your diaries if you have a child in Year 2.

## Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to those of you who have already returned your questionnaires. We have extended the deadline until next Friday so please spare a few minutes to fill one in and return it to the school office.

## Football on Playground

Please can I remind you again that ball games are not allowed in the playground at morning drop-off time. If you have older children who are waiting to be taken up to Thomas Coram, please ensure they are aware of this rule, for the safety of everyone.



## Parent Forum

Our newly formed Parent Forum will meet for the first time on Tuesday 4 December. The PF members for your class will be contacting you to ask for agenda items. You will then get feedback from them once the meeting has taken place. I hope this will become a really valuable two-way communication tool that further strengthens the partnership between school and parents.

## School and VSA Diary Dates

*Please check the website  
for most up-to-date  
information*

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Tuesday 27 November

Whole School Science  
Investigation Day

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Tuesday 27 November

Maths Evening for parents

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Wednesday 5 December

KS 1 Church Service

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Friday 7 December

Nursery Christmas Assembly

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Saturday 8 December

VSA Christmas Fair

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Tuesday 11 December

Pantomime Trip

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Tuesday 18 December

Reception Nativity

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Wednesday 19 December

Christmas Lunch

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Thursday 20 December

End of Term Service at  
St Peter's

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Thursday 20 December

Term ends at 1:30pm

## Ashlyns Admissions Consultation

Ashlyns School have asked us to include the following for your information.

### Admission Arrangements Consultation:

The Governors of Ashlyns are consulting on a change to our Admission Arrangements from September 2019. More information can be found on the school website:

<https://www.ashlyns.herts.sch.uk/school-life/admissions/>

We would be grateful if you could send any comments you have on these arrangements via email to [governors@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:governors@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk) or by post to Ashlyns School, Chesham Road, Berkhamsted, HP4 3AH. Responses should be sent no later than 6 January 2019. The Governors will be meeting after this date to determine these arrangements.

Caroline Crozier  
Head of School



### *Value Champions*

Sebby – Louisa – Grace – Lucy - Natalie

### *This week at St Peter's*

St Peter's will be lit with over 2000 candles for the Festival of Light this weekend. There will be delicious hot chocolate and mulled wine on sale in special mugs designed by a local artist. Please come and say hello.

Next Saturday (1 December) come and join us for An Advent Celebration! 2:00pm-3:30pm for fun children's crafts, music, prayer and fun as we prepare for Christmas by exploring the themes of Advent. Suitable for children up to 10 years old (under 5's must be accompanied by an adult). There's no need to book, so just come along.