



## Lolly Pop Luke and Crossing Guard Chris

We are aware that traffic on Leigham Vale is becoming very congested at morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up times. To ensure our Hitherfield families are able to cross the road safely we will now have a designated crossing guard by the large planters at the front gate.

If you drive in, please do not park on the yellow KEEP CLEAR markings in front of the school as this adds to the congestion and also makes it difficult for other people to cross the road safely.



## **Disability Month - November 14th to December 20th**

### **What's Disability History Month?**

It's a time to raise awareness and promote understanding about the history, achievements, and contributions of disabled people. The month is also an opportunity to highlight the ongoing barriers disabled people face and celebrate the diversity and inclusion of disabled people. Find out more here: <https://ukdhm.org/>

Help celebrate Disability History Month and inspire children to learn about diversity, identity, and inclusion and foster healthy friendships.

For more information and to access the free resources, visit [www.shanidhanda.com/competition](http://www.shanidhanda.com/competition).

### Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November – Year 6 and Reception Height and Weight

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November - LMS Music Concert 3 Jaguar & 4 Flamingo 2:45pm – 3:15pm

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November - 6 Orca and Puffing Streatham Faith Trail

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November – School Book Fair 3:15pm – 5pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - LMS Music Concert 4 Cheetah & 4 Hippo 11:15am – 11:45am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - LMS Music Concert 3 Anaconda & 3 Macaw 2:45pm – 3:15pm

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December –Year 6 Trip - Junior Citizenship Scheme

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December - Y1-3 Panto 9:25am – 10:25am (Children only)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December Y4-6 Panto 11am - 12pm (Children only)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fair 3:30pm – 5:30pm

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Flu Vaccination catch up

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day £1 donation

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Year 4 trip to Science Museum

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day of Term



## GOOD NEWS CARDS

Congratulations to these children who have really impressed their Teachers this week.

<b>1 COBRA</b>	<b>1 DUGONG</b>	<b>1 SUNBIRD</b>
Antonio and Nour	Lara and Reuben	Zephyra and Hannah
<b>2 MANATEE</b>	<b>2 MONGOOSE</b>	<b>2 HUMMINGBIRD</b>
Amelia and Alex	Kike and Matteo	Hazel and Betty
<b>3 JAGUAR</b>	<b>3 MACAW</b>	<b>3 ANACONDA</b>
Aroosha and Oscar	To be announced next week	Keir and Finlay
<b>4 HIPPOPOTAMUS</b>	<b>4 FLAMINGO</b>	<b>4 CHEETAH</b>
Jacob & Stevie	Rubi and Aiden	Cleo and Jemima
<b>5 KINGFISHER</b>	<b>5 HEDGEHOG</b>	<b>5 OTTER</b>
Penny, Kolya, Lola and Iziah	To be announced next week	Arlo B & Rose
<b>6 ORCA</b>	<b>6 PUFFIN</b>	<b>6 WOLVERINE</b>
All of Orca for Class Assembly	All of Puffin for Class Assembly	All of Wolverine for Class Assembly

### Music Concert Dates Years 3 & 4

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November - LMS Music Concert 3  
Jaguar & 4 Flamingo 2:45pm – 3:15pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - LMS Music Concert 4  
Cheetah & 4 Hippo 11:15am – 11:45am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December - LMS Music Concert 3  
Anaconda & 3 Macaw 2:45pm – 3:15pm



### The Library

We are so thrilled to see students continuing to enjoy our school library; it is such an important part of our school community and their individual reading journeys! The books available are carefully curated by our librarian to ensure they are age-appropriate and suitable for children, and they are intended to promote a love of reading rather than serve as specific reading practice. Children select these books independently, giving them the freedom to explore their interests, and while teachers do not individually check each book chosen, the collection has been thoroughly reviewed for suitability. We encourage you to share these books with your child at home to nurture a love of reading!



## *A walk in London*

*Inspired by the book 'A walk in London' by Salvatore Rubbino, Year 1 took a trip to Central London to see some of the famous London landmarks. They visited London Bridge where they took an Uber boat down the River Thames to Westminster, before embarking on a sightseeing walk across Westminster Bridge to South Bank. After lunch at the South Bank Centre the children enjoyed exploring in the Jubilee Gardens playground before heading back to school. Many thanks to all our parent volunteers who helped us out on the day.*





## Spring Bulb Competition

Our school won the Alice Street Perpetual Cup for the Best Display of Spring Bulbs in the London Children's Flower Society for March 2024. Last week two members of our school council represented our school at the Guildhall to collect our award.



The next batch of bulbs that will enter in Spring 2025 were packed last week and should have come home with your children. If there is anything missing from your order please let the office know and we will get it to you. Please look out for messages in Spring 2025 asking you to bring the bulbs back in for display. If they flower before the message is sent please take a photo and email it to the school and it can still be entered in the competition.

Happy Growing!

# HITHERFIELD HERALD

[www.hitherfield.co.uk](http://www.hitherfield.co.uk)



## Book Fair

The Hitherfield Book Fair is on Friday 29th November after school in the Main Hall. It will run from 3.30pm - 5pm.

Books will be available for all ages up to 11 years old. Many of the latest books will be discounted. Every book bought will help raise money we can spend on new books for the Library. It's a great opportunity to get some Christmas presents and help the school at the same time. Let's get the children reading for pleasure!

FREE books for your school when you buy at the Book Fair!

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME to the **BOOK FAIR**

A pop-up book-store with hundreds of books from just £2.99

<p>NEW</p> <p><b>DOG MAN</b> The Scarlet Stoopie</p> <p>Save £3</p> <p>£12.99 £9.99</p>	<p>NEW</p> <p><b>Jonty Gentoo</b> The Adventures of a Penguin</p> <p>Save £5</p> <p>From the creators of Zag</p> <p>£12.99 £7.99</p>	<p>WHEN <b>JELLY</b> HAD A <b>Wobble</b></p> <p>JUST £2.99</p> <p>£6.99 £2.99</p>
<p>NEW</p> <p><b>MY BIG FAT Smelly POO DIARY</b></p> <p>£8.99</p> <p>A work of staggering importance.</p>	<p>NEW</p> <p>MICHAEL MORPURGO</p> <p>Paperback exclusive to Scholastic</p> <p><b>COBWEB</b></p> <p>£7.99</p>	<p>NEW in paperback</p> <p><b>TOM GATES FIVE STAR STORIES</b></p> <p>£7.99</p>

Date: 29<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 3.30 - 5pm  
MAIN HALL

Scan the QR code to pay online!



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

### DATES

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – Reception Concert 10am– 11am

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery Concert 10am– 11am

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – 1 Cobra, 2 Manatee and 3 Anaconda Concert  
10am– 11am

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – 4 Cheetah, 5 Otter and 6 Orca Concert  
2pm– 3pm

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – 1 Dugong, 2 Hummingbird and 3 Macaw  
Concert 10am– 11am

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – 4 Flamingo, 5 Kingfisher and 6 Wolverine  
Concert 2pm– 3pm

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – 1 Sunbird, 2 Mongoose and 3 Jaguar Concert  
10am– 11am

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – 4 Hippo, 5 Hedgehog and 6 Puffin Concert  
2pm– 3pm

All performances will take place in the Studio. Space are limited so we  
ask that only two adults per child attend, Thank you



## Hitherfield Family to Family Winter 2024

Are you in need of a bag of groceries for your family over the holidays? If you need help or are able to help please email [hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com) or Whatsapp 07936672890 by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

Avez-vous besoin d'un sac d'épicerie pour votre famille pendant les vacances ? Si vous avez besoin d'aide ou si vous êtes en mesure d'aider, veuillez envoyer un e-mail à [herefieldfamily@gmail.com](mailto:herefieldfamily@gmail.com) ou à Whatsapp 07936672890 avant le vendredi 6 Decembre.

¿Necesita una bolsa de provisiones para su familia durante las vacaciones? Si necesita ayuda o puede ayudar, envíe un correo electrónico a [hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com) o Whatsapp 07936672890 antes del viernes 6 de Diciembre.

Czy potrzebujesz torby z zakupami dla swojej rodziny na święta? Jeśli potrzebujesz pomocy lub możesz pomóc, wyślij e-mail na adres [hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com) lub Whatsapp 07936672890 do piątek 6 grudnia

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ديسمبر 6 الجمعة بحلول Whatsapp 07936672890 أو [hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com) إلى

Você está precisando de uma sacola de compras para sua família durante as férias? Se você precisar de ajuda ou puder ajudar, envie um e-mail para [hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com) ou Whatsapp 07936672890 até sexta-feira, 6 de dezembro.

Ma u baahan tahay bac raashin ah qoyskaaga fasaxyada? Haddii aad u baahan tahay gargaar ama aad caawin karto fadlan iimayl ku soo dir [hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldfamily@gmail.com) ama Whatsapp 07936672890 ugu dambayn Jimcaha 6da Diseembar.



Who are we?

This is an initiative, run voluntarily, by Hitherfield parents with support from the School.

Why?

To support our Hitherfield friends and their families to bring food to the table over the holidays.

If you are a family in need:

Please send us your name, how many children you have, their age and a list of items you need to value of £30. We will then give that list, without your identity, to a family to purchase and it will be at the Leigham Vale school gates for you to collect between after 9.30am until 11am Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. If collection at this time is an issue do mention that in your email. There will also be second hand uniform available.

If you are able to support a family or more:

Thank you. We will send you an email by you with a bag of groceries to purchase on or before Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, the value of which should not exceed £30. Please then bring the groceries to the Leigham vale school gate at drop off, on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> December. If you are unable to buy the groceries you can also leave a donation in cash in an envelope marked Family to Family at the school office or donate by clicking [here](#)

*All requests and sponsors will be kept private and confidential.*



# LOVE TO SING?

WHY NOT JOIN

## HITHERFIELD'S CHOIR OF FRIENDS!

FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF HITHERFIELD

- NO CHOIR EXPERIENCE NEEDED -
- ALL SONGS LEARNT BY EAR (NO SHEET MUSIC) -
- SING FOLK, POP, ROUNDS AND SHANTIES -
- AUDIO LEARNING TRACKS PROVIDED -
- A GREAT WAY TO MEET OTHER HITHERFIELD PARENTS/CARERS -
- FUN, RELAXED AND INCLUSIVE -
- BABIES/TODDLERS WELCOME -

SPRING TERM STARTS 20TH JAN  
NOT SURE IF ITS FOR YOU?  
TRY A DROP IN SESSION!

EVERY MONDAY 9:15AM TO 10:15AM  
IN THE DOWNSTAIRS HALL

£70 PER 10-WEEK TERM

FREE PLACES AVAILABLE TO  
THOSE ELIGIBLE FOR PUPIL PREMIUM

Email choir leader Ian Bennett  
if you'd like a place or free taster session:  
[ibmuso@gmail.com](mailto:ibmuso@gmail.com)







**2024 Hitherfield PTA discounted**  
*Mistletoe & Pine*  
**Christmas Trees**

- Premium Grade 'non-drop' Nordmann Fir Trees
- **Special Hitherfield Prices (discounted from 2023!)**  
*(savings up to 22% vs direct from M&P)*
- **Flexible collection** between Friday 29th November and Friday 13th December, inc. Saturday mornings

Approximate sizes:

• <b>3ft - £28 £44.99</b>	• <b>6ft - £55 £69.99</b>
• <b>4ft - £34 £49.99</b>	• <b>7ft - £65 £89.99</b>
• <b>5ft - £45 £59.99</b>	• <b>8ft - £77 £99.99</b>

**Hitherfield Staff** - to place your order please scan the QR code to the right to pay and complete the order form. Please email [hitherfieldchristmas@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldchristmas@gmail.com) to confirm you've paid. Many thanks!

**SumUp**

**Order Form**

**All Parents** - please complete the order form and make payment through ParentPay. Many thanks!



HITHERFIELD PTA INVITE YOU  
TO OUR

# *Christmas* FAIR

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2024  
3.15PM - 5.30PM

JOIN US FOR DELICIOUS FESTIVE FOOD  
AND DRINKS, SANTA'S GROTTTO, RAFFLE,  
GAMES, CAKES, FACEPAINTING, ARTS &  
CRAFTS, TOMBOLA, LIVE MUSIC AND SO  
MUCH MORE.  
EVERYONE WELCOME!





## Sanctuary seeking children Christmas wish list

Lambeth Sanctuary Services coordinate support and welcome sanctuary seekers (asylum-seekers, refugees and others affected by forced migration) to our borough.

Both in 2022 and 2023 thanks to the support of residents, charities and colleagues, the Lambeth Sanctuary Services (LSS) team were able to receive almost 800 Christmas gifts for all our Sanctuary Seeking Children in the borough.

This year we need to raise 330 gifts for all our children under the: Homes for Ukraine, Resettlement, No Recourse to Public Fund, and Asylum Seekers schemes and we hope you will be able to help us reach this goal once again.

We have 3 different events planned for our children and they will be receiving a gift from Father Christmas and will get to spend some fun time with other children in their cohort.

We have compiled an Amazon 'Christmas Wishlist' and any gift purchased will be delivered directly to us in the Town Hall: Karl Livingston, Sanctuary Services, Lambeth Town Hall, 2 Brixton Hill, London SW2 1RW.

Here is the [link to our Wishlist](#) or you can use our QR code



Any little help will be very appreciated. For further details contact us on [sanctuary@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:sanctuary@lambeth.gov.uk)



📣📣 IQ CARD ORDER FORMS have been sent home with your child 🎨✍️

- 👉 visit iq cards online, create an account or use your previous account.
- 👉 follow instructions on the order form to place a new order - orders close 26 November.
- 👉 use the school reference number and your child's unique pupil number provided on the order card
- 👉 order amazing Christmas gifts personalised by your child's creation.

Any problems please email  
[hitherfieldpta@gmail.com](mailto:hitherfieldpta@gmail.com)



Join trained florist Emily Andrews as she shows you how to make your very own Christmas wreath. You will be provided with a fir and moss wreath, to which you can add foliage, dried fruits, glitter, baubles and feathers to get into the festive spirit. You can be as creative as you like! The mulled wine may help too. The price includes supporting our school gardener with wreath-making classes for the pupils, mulled wine & mince pies! All funds raised go to the PTA.

December *03* Start 7 PM



PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL  
Spaces are very limited, book your spot on ParentPay now!





HITHERFIELD PTA PRESENTS

## Santa's Grotto!

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5th & 6th  
December

## Meet Santa and his elf!

THIS YEAR, YOU WILL HAVE TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO  
MEET SANTA.

JOIN US ON THE 5TH & 6TH DECEMBER FROM 3.40PM AT  
SANTAS CHRISTMASSY CABIN.

TICKETS WILL ONLY BE SOLD VIA PARENTPAY SO PLEASE  
MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AN ACCOUNT SET UP IN  
ADVANCE. WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING WALK-INS.

TICKETS WILL GO LIVE ON MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER AT  
6PM, AT £3.50 PER CHILD. TICKETS ARE LIMITED SO BE  
QUICK!



## Children's Winter Clothes & Toys Swap



Free new and pre-loved items giving back to help families through the cost of living crisis.

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:00 - 3:00pm (Last entry 2:30pm)**

**Location:** Get Rid of and Donate Community Hub  
St Faith's Community Centre, Red Post Hill, SE24 9JQ

**Transportation:** Bus P4 (from Brixton or Lewisham) or Bus 42 (from Camberwell)  
brings you outside the community centre to Sunray avenue



Contact us  
**07944 102 112**

[info@getridofit-donate.com](mailto:info@getridofit-donate.com)  
[www.getridofit-donate.com](http://www.getridofit-donate.com)

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## Lambeth Parent and Carer Panel

For expectant parents and parents/carers  
with a child aged up to 2 years old.

Join this virtual Parent and Carer Panel session to share your thoughts, views and ideas and contribute to the development of services in your Better Start Area.

Thursday 28th November  
18:30-19:45pm  
Online, via Microsoft Teams

Scan the QR code to sign up or  
email:  
[parentchampions@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:parentchampions@lambeth.gov.uk)



Sign  
up  
here!

