



HYTHE BAY
Church of England
Primary School and
Children's Centre

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Good Evening

Newsletter 18

Well, I am writing this newsletter from home, I finally succumbed to Covid-19 on Monday – none of the regular symptoms just a really heavy cold and no voice, thank goodness for the guidance that education staff test twice weekly, because I'd never have known. It seems to be spreading fast in local schools and we are getting away fairly lightly, but numbers are increasing, so please be vigilant. I have obviously had it very mildly (I'm double vaccinated and boosted) but we must be mindful of the more vulnerable who could become seriously ill if they get it. Today we have 34 cases in school - 30 children and 4 staff.

Staff cover remains a constant issue at the moment and every day we are having to juggle arrangements to ensure classes are covered. Covid-19, childcare for isolating children and the usual winter absences are really biting at the moment, there are 8 staff out today and that makes everything really tight if there is a different adult in your child's class please be bear with us, hopefully the situation will ease very soon.

If your child at home isolating and they are not poorly, remember that all the learning they are doing in class is on the school website. If it gets tricky just give us a call and Mrs Roche or Mr East will talk you through the work and give you some ideas to keep you sane whilst supervising home learning. Also if you are in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals there are vouchers available to provide lunches for children isolating at home. Call Sam or Sue in the office if you need vouchers.

The learning continues in school – YR have been making bread and looking at how yeast makes bread rise - great science and lovely sandwiches! Y1/2 have been doing science too, looking at materials that could be used to protect an egg if it fell from space. Y3/4 have been using a computer program called Pivot to create animations. Y5 have been videoing and editing the films they are making. Y6 are working hard on their writing learning how to create suspense and tension in their stories.

Please be aware Basketball Club will be cancelled on Wednesday 2nd February because there is an inter school football match taking place that day.

Have a great weekend and keep safe

Carolyn Chivers
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary	
4 th February	Miss Cobb's class Worship
11 th February	Last day of term 3
21 st February	First day of term 4
25 th February	Miss Flaxton's class Worship
4 th March	Mrs Wiles' class Worship
7 th and 8 th March	Parents Evenings
11 th March	Mr Gollop's class Worship
18 th March	Mrs Witham's class Worship
25 th March	Miss West's class Worship
Week beginning 28 th March	Y6 Residential
1 st April	Last day of term 4
19 th April	First day of term 5
25 th April	New date – Young Voices Concert at the 02
2 nd May	Bank Holiday – no school
May	Y2 taking KS1 SATs (National Testing)
Week beginning 9 th May	Y6 taking KS2 SATs (National Testing)
25 th May	Hythe Bay's Got Talent
27 th May	End of Term 5
6 th June	Start of term 6
Week beginning 6 th June	Phonics check Y1 and Y2 (National Testing)
From 6 th June	Multiplication Check Y4 (National Testing)
19 th July	Last day of school year – Change of date additional day holiday given to schools for Queen's Platinum Jubilee