

14th October 2022

Newsletter 6

Good Afternoon

One more week of term left and then children can all have a well-earned holiday. The children have been very busy this week, have a look at the Y5/6 Ancient Egyptian Pyramids displayed in the entrance hall. Y3/4 have been writing instructions about how to capture and train a unicorn! Y1/2 have been learning more about Mary Seacole and YR have been on an Autumn Walk around Hythe.

Today is world DLD day (Developmental Language Disorder) which aims to raise awareness of this hidden disability. Whilst many children in our SRP experience these difficulties, we know that some of our mainstream children can also struggle with vocabulary, speaking, listening or understanding. In any classroom around the country, it is estimated that there will be around 2 children who have Developmental Language Disorder. To celebrate the day and raise awareness of DLD among the school and local community, we had a non-uniform day where the children were encouraged to wear something purple and yellow. During the day, they took part in activities to learn more about DLD. We has a terrific assembly and the Funky Fingers Choir sang and signed "This is Me" from the Greatest Showman.

On Wednesday next week the school nurses will be at Hythe Bay to inoculate the children whose parents have consented for them to have the flu vaccination.

We are still waiting to hear back from Young Voices about additional tickets but as soon as we hear, we will let you know.

Attached to this newsletter is a flyer for the parent ASD coffee morning to be held at the Beacon on Monday 14th November at 10.00am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend if they have a child with an ASD diagnosis or are waiting for a diagnosis or if they would like to know more about Autistic Spectrum Disorder. If you need more information or support contact Claire Moffatt she will be happy to help.

The Friends of Hythe Bay have sent out Children's Christmas Gifts leaflets so children can make personalised gifts that parents can buy – and we can raise much needed money for the school. Details of the Friends of Hythe Bay Firework Display are attached to this newsletter, it promises to be a very exciting night for all but entrance is by ticket only - so get your tickets soon.

Kent County Council is to receive further Household Support Grants for the period 1 October 2022 until 31 March 2023. The conditions of this grant state that the majority of funding has to be spent on supporting households with their energy costs. Therefore, Kent County Council will provide a mixture of support to families eligible for benefits related free school meals. They will fund one week of supermarket vouchers for October half term, two weeks at Christmas, one week for February half term and two weeks at Easter. For each week the voucher is £10 per eligible child. The County Council has also agreed to provide the same families with an energy voucher, valued at £50. They are currently determining the best way to do this.

To get this payment you need to be eligible for Benefit Related Free School Meals, so even if children receive Universal Free School Meals (Free school meals for children in YR, Y1 and Y2) and they meet the criteria below, they can use the link below to apply.

https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/kent/

http://www.kent.gov.uk/eduaction-and-children/schools/free-school-meals

Children might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit if parents apply on or after 1 April 2018 their household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits they get)
- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided they're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

Come and chat to the office if you think we can help you in anyway. Have a great weekend

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Yellow highlights - change of date	
18 th October	PCC visiting school for the morning
19 th October	Flu Vaccinations for all whose parents have consented via NHS website link
21st October	Seahorses Class Worship – 10.30am
21st October	Last day of term 1
31st October	Start of term 2
4 th November	Sea Otters Class Worship – 10.30am
4 th November	PTFA Firework Event
7 th and 8 th November	Parents Evenings
11 th November	School Remembrance Service
13 th November	Hythe Town Remembrance Service
18 th November	Seashells Class Worship – 10.30am
28 th November	Y2 visit to Church to see nativity
5 th December	Starfish Christmas Play -1.30pm Puffins – Christmas Play -6.30pm
5 th December	Y6 Advent Church day
6 th December	Pufferfish Christmas Play -1.30pm Jellyfish – Christmas Play - 6.30pm
7 th December	Jellyfish Christmas Play -1.30pm Starfish - Christmas Play - 6.30pm
8 th December	Puffins Christmas Play -1.30pm Pufferfish – Christmas Play - 6.30pm
9 th December	School Christmas Fair in the Hall- 3.15pm
12 th December	Y5/6 Christmas Party
13 th December	Y3/4 Christmas Party
13 th December	KS2 Carol Service at St Leonard's Church – 7pm

14 th December	Y1/2 Christmas Party
14 th December	School Christmas Dinner
15 th December	YR Christmas Party
16 th December	Christmas Service at St Leonard's Church
16 th December	Last day of term 2
3 rd January	Staff non-contact day
4 th January	Start of term 3 - First day for children
13 th January	Puffins Class Worship – 10.30am
18 th January	Young Voices Concert at 02 Arena
20 th January	Pufferfish Class Worship – 10.30am
27 th January	Jellyfish Class Worship – 10.30am
3 rd February	Starfish Class Worship – 10.30am
10 th February	Last day of term 3
20 th February	Start of term 4
27 th and 28 th February	
2 nd March	World Book Day
3 rd March	,
	Dragonfish Class Worship 10.30am
6 th March	Y3 Church Day
8 th to 15 th March	Book Fair
	Sea Dragons Class Worship 10.30am
14 th March	Class Photos
17 th March	Dragonet Class Worship – 10.30am
20 th to 24 th March	Y6 Residential
24 th March	Seahorses Class Worship – 10.30am
28 th March	Governors in School for the Day
31 st March	Easter Service at St Leonard's Church- 10am
31 st March	Last day of term 4
17 th April	Start of term 5
28 th April	Seashells Class Worship – 10.30am
1 st May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
2 nd May to 26 th May	KS1 SATs Tests for Y2 children
5 th May	Sea Otters Class Worship – 10.30am
8 th to 11 th May	KS2 SATs Tests for Y6 children
15 th May	Y4 Church Day
22 nd to 25 th May	Y6 Bikeability Training
26 th May	Last day of term 5
5 th June	Start of term 6
5 th to 23 rd June	Multiplication Checks for Y4
12 th – 16 th June	Phonics Check for Y1 and some Y2 children
19 th June	Y5 Church Day
23 rd June	Puffins Class Worship – 10.30am
29 th June	Sports day
30 th June	Jellyfish Class Worship- 10.30am
7 th July	Reports to parents
7 th July	Pufferfish Class Worship 10.30am
10 th July	Open Afternoon
11 th and 12 th July	Y6 Production
14 th July	Starfish Class Worship – 10.30am
19 th July	Leavers Assembly
19 th July	Last day of term 6 for pupils
20 th and 21 st July	Staff non-contact days