

"We should love people not only with words and talk but by actions and true caring."

1 John 3: 18



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

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## Newsletter 27

Good Afternoon

Welcome back to school, term 5 is very short and littered with bank holidays, but it's also a very busy term full of exciting activities. Y5/6 will be learning all about the Second World War; the rest of the school will be embracing Spring and learning all about plants and new life.

The school has a new telephone system, we have gone digital!!!! Of course there are a few challenges which we are having to overcome, as there is with everything new but we are getting there. If you are calling the school, for any reason, please only use

**01303 267802**

all other telephone numbers will be closed in the next few weeks.

Children and families at Hythe Bay now have the opportunity for emotional and well-being support from the NHS/NELFT Well Being Team. They are specially trained to help children at school with their emotional wellbeing and mental health. From time to time, children and young people need additional support with their emotional wellbeing and mental health, and they are here to help. Getting the right support early can prevent problems getting bigger, so that your child can enjoy school, home, time with family. Have a look at the flier attached, it gives you more details about their work and keep an eye out for activities planned over the next few months, including parent workshops on managing children's behaviours and anxieties. Friendship and Emotional Regulation sessions for children and Transition support for those moving to secondary school. Sarah Roche leads this initiative in the school – if you want to know more come in and have a chat with her or contact NELFT directly.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May are NEU proposed Industrial Action Days, the same information applies as last time, we will let you know as soon as we know whether your child's class will be open on those days.

To celebrate the Coronation, we will be having a Playground Party on the afternoon of Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. We hope that everyone will dress in their party clothes and take part in various Royal activities and we will end the afternoon with a Royal Picnic. Look out for more details closer to the date.

As part of the National Police Chiefs Council "Two Wheel Week" running 17-23 April, in collaboration with KCC Bikeability trainers, Kent police would like to make you aware of some tips around cycling to school. Cycling is a great way of getting to school and can keep you and your children healthy and active, but it can also present risks to your safety. Hopefully these tips will help you make sure you and your bike are ready to get cycling to school.

- Consider riding routes with dedicated cycle paths to ensure the safety of young children and pedestrians.

- Ensure that your bicycle is roadworthy. If it has been unused for a while, ensure that the mechanisms such as brakes and gears are working and that tyres are inflated before starting any ride.
- Always wear a cycle helmet regardless of where you are cycling. All child cyclists and scooter users should always wear a helmet.
- Wear Hi-Viz or bright colours to help other road users to see you. Red is particularly visible to road users.
- Think about your positioning in the road and whether you can be seen by other road users.
- Effectively communicate with other road users, by using hand signals when turning. Try to make eye contact with other road users and pedestrians to ensure that they have seen you.
- If approaching pedestrians from behind, use your bell or a polite verbal warning to alert them to your presence.

The police would also like to take this opportunity to re-enforce the law around e-scooters. These are classed as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEVs), which means they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements, such as driving licence, insurance, number plates, lighting, road tax, crash helmets etc. Without these, e-scooters cannot be used legally on the road.

For more information about powered transporters and the law, visit [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) We hope that these tips are of some use and help promote road safety.

Term dates for next year have been added to the diary at the end of this newsletter, hopefully this will be useful if you are planning holidays and family events for next year. I am sorry, but as agreed with all other schools in the Hythe area, no holidays during term time will be authorised unless the circumstances are exceptional and you could be fined by the Local Authority if you take holiday during term time.

#### LOOKING FOR A SUMMER ACTIVITY?

Paddlesport for children is back on the programme at Seapoint Canoe Centre between April-September. Learn to kayak and enjoy fun team games on the water.

Saturday Kayak Club 10am-12pm / Thursday After School Kayak Club 4.30-6pm  
£10 per session

Ages 8-13

Abilities: Beginners and beyond

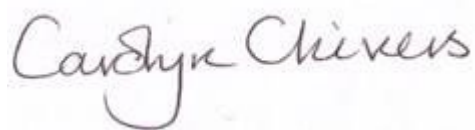
Location: Hythe Canal

Equipment is provided. To book, head to [www.seapointcanoecentre.co.uk](http://www.seapointcanoecentre.co.uk) or email [info@seapointcanoecentre.co.uk](mailto:info@seapointcanoecentre.co.uk)

We will be putting all lost property items we currently have in school outside the main reception on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Please pop along and see if any of the items belong to your child.

A reminder for all Year 6 children to return their leavers' hoodie form by Friday 28<sup>th</sup>.

Have a great weekend



Carolyn Chivers  
Headteacher

Anchored by God, we strive to teach children to be confident, connected, and creative through outstanding teaching and care. We show our love, tolerance, forgiveness, and compassion, not just by talking about them but living them each day of our lives.

<b>2022-23 Dates for Your Diary</b>	
<b>Yellow highlights – change of date / New Dates</b>	
28 <sup>th</sup> April	Seashells Class Worship – 10.30am
28 <sup>th</sup> April	Friends Rock and Roll Bingo – 7.00pm
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
2 <sup>nd</sup> May to 26 <sup>th</sup> May	KS1 SATs Tests for Y2 children
<b>5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Sea Otters Class Worship – 10.30am <b>Coronation Playground Party – 1.30pm</b>
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday – King’s Coronation – School Closed
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Tests for Y6 children
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Church Day
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Hythe Bay’s Got Talent
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term 5
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Start of term 6
5 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Multiplication Checks for Y4
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Check for Y1 and some Y2 children
12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Y6 Bikeability Training
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Friends Father’s Day Shop
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Church Day
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Puffins Class Worship – 10.30am
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports day
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Jellyfish Class Worship– 10.30am
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports to parents
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Pufferfish Class Worship 10.30am
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Celebration Party
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Afternoon
11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Production
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Starfish Class Worship – 10.30am
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Friends Summer Party on the Playground
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Assembly
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term 6 for pupils
20 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Staff non-contact days
<b>2023-24</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> September	Staff non-contact day
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Staff non-contact day
5 <sup>th</sup> September	Start of term 1 First day back for pupils
20 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day of term 1 for pupils
30 <sup>th</sup> October	First day of term 2 for pupils
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term 2 for pupils
2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Staff non-contact day
3 <sup>rd</sup> January	First day of term 3 for pupils
9 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term 3 for pupils
19 <sup>th</sup> February	First day of term 4 for pupils
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term 4 for pupils
15 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of term 5 for pupils
6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term 5 for pupils
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	First day of term 6 for pupils
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term 6 for pupils
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Staff non-contact day
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Staff non-contact day