



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

21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

## Newsletter 7

Good Afternoon

As we start the first holiday of the school year I am aware that it has been a very long term for children, particularly those who have just started school. The children have all worked exceptionally hard and deserve a good break.

This week there have been lots of very exciting things going on in school. Y6/Y5 have been writing biographies of Tutankhamun and burying their mummified fish. Y3/4 were creating their own cave paintings and sewing, to finish their Stone Age topic. Y1/2 have been writing facts about goats, and I have to say, we have seen some excellent progress in writing in these classes this term.

Report cards should have gone out today. This year we have decided to send them out at the end of term one and three. Annual reports will be sent out in term 6 as usual. Parents' evenings will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November, this will be a chance for you to talk with your child's teacher about their progress so far this year. Sign-up sheets will be in the Entrance hall at the beginning of next term, so you can book an appointment for a face to face meeting, a phone call or a video call. If you can't get into school just give us a call and we can sort a time for you.

There is a parent ASD coffee morning to be held at the Beacon on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

Remember to get your Friends of Hythe Bay Firework Display tickets , they are in high demand. 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, the 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 parents 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/>

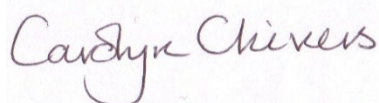
<http://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/free-school-meals>

Children might be able to get free school meals if parents 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.

Members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) toured the school and joined the school for Worship on Wednesday and then stayed for lunch. They were very complimentary about everything they saw and commented on the confidence of the children who acted as their tour guides.

Have a great holiday



Carolyn Chivers  
Headteacher

<b>2022-23 Dates for Your Diary</b>	
<b>Yellow highlights – change of date / New Dates</b>	
31 <sup>st</sup> October	Start of term 2
4 <sup>th</sup> November	Sea Otters Class Worship – 10.30am
4 <sup>th</sup> November	PTFA Firework Event
7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evenings – SIGN UP IN ENTRANCE HALL
11 <sup>th</sup> November	School Remembrance Service
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Hythe Town Remembrance Service
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Seashells Class Worship – 10.30am
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Bishop Rose visiting school
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Y2 visit to Church to see nativity
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Starfish Christmas Play -1.30pm Puffins – Christmas Play -6.30pm
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Y6 Advent Church day
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Pufferfish Christmas Play -1.30pm Jellyfish – Christmas Play - 6.30pm
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Jellyfish Christmas Play -1.30pm Starfish – Christmas Play - 6.30pm
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Puffins Christmas Play -1.30pm Pufferfish – Christmas Play - 6.30pm
9 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Fair in the Hall- 3.15pm
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Y5/6 Christmas Party
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3/4 Christmas Party
13 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Service at St Leonard's Church – 7pm
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1/2 Christmas Party
14 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Dinner
15 <sup>th</sup> December	YR Christmas Party
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Service at St Leonard's Church

16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term 2
3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Staff non-contact day
4 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of term 3 - First day for children
13 <sup>th</sup> January	Puffins Class Worship – 10.30am
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Voices Concert at O2 Arena
20 <sup>th</sup> January	Pufferfish Class Worship – 10.30am
27 <sup>th</sup> January	Jellyfish Class Worship – 10.30am
3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Starfish Class Worship – 10.30am
10 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term 3
20 <sup>th</sup> February	Start of term 4
27 <sup>th</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evenings
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Dragonfish Class Worship 10.30am
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 Church Day
8 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Sea Dragons Class Worship 10.30am
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Photos
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Dragonet Class Worship – 10.30am
20 <sup>th</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 Residential
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Seahorses Class Worship – 10.30am
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Governors in School for the Day
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Easter Service at St Leonard’s Church– 10am
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Last day of term 4
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of term 5
28 <sup>th</sup> April	Seashells Class Worship – 10.30am
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
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Sea Otters Class Worship – 10.30am
8 <sup>th</sup> to 11 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Tests for Y6 children
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Church Day
22 <sup>nd</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 Bikeability Training
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
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
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
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