

"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 5

Good Afternoon

Huge congratulations go to Stacey and Alex on the birth of Leo Morley Donald and Milo Sonny Donald on Tuesday. Weighing 6lb and 6lb 5ozs respectively. Mum, Dad and the boys are all doing well, they are home and enjoying family life.

It's been a quieter week at Hythe Bay but the children have continued to work really hard and achieve well. This week we have been talking about compassion in worship and it's been great to hear how our children are living out our school vision in their daily lives. Their simple acts of kindness fill my heart with joy.

There has been some fantastic learning on display. In Year R the children have been learning to spot the signs of autumn. They have been out into the town, walking along the canal – there seem to be conkers everywhere. They have also been investigating pumpkins – picking out the seeds with tweezers and cutting them up. The children in Year One and Two have continued their work on castles and have this week have been writing about what life was like living in a castle. They are all off to The Tower of London next week – the staff are as excited about this trip as the children. It's great to be able to travel to London again, after Covid-19 really restricted our wider curriculum opportunities, and to be giving children these wonderful experiences.

In Key Stage Two, the children in Year Three and Four have been doing great science experiments – testing the effects of different drinks on their teeth. Their hypotheses will be tested to the full in the next few days. Year Five and Six have also impressed me this week with their descriptions of teacher pleaser machines – someone has really got the measure of the teacher whose machine will feed them with diet coke and carrot cake!

Mrs Wiles has organised a Book Fair from 11th – 18th October. A wide range of books will be on sale in the entrance school after school. Come along and have a browse – a great chance to get a head of the Christmas Shopping.

“IMPORTANT REMINDER:

The Kent and Medway School Aged Immunisation Service is coming to school on 19th October to carry out Flu Immunisation Programme for pupils in Years R to 6 – don't forget to consent or decline before the cut-off date via their website, scroll down and click on the blue button labelled “Child vaccination form” to fill in the form . You can also phone the team 0300 123 5205, text 07401320923 or use their web chat if you have any questions about your child's immunisations.”

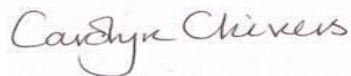
Information about MMR vaccinations - The NHS tell us over 102,000 children starting primary school in England are at risk of catching measles at the moment. NHS England is urging parents to check that their children are up to date with their MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccinations in the wake of measles cases rising across the country. Childhood vaccination rates have fallen over the past ten years and this week statistics show that over 102,000 children aged four and five years old starting in reception are not protected against catching measles, mumps and rubella.

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in a classroom can catch the disease if just one child is infectious. If you are unsure if you or your child are up to date, check your child's red book or GP records and make an appointment to catch up any missed doses.

Please ensure all your children's clothes are named. Thirty sweatshirts without names are the cause of teacher's nightmares. Unnamed clothes will be put in the box in Mrs Roche's classroom. Named clothes found around the school will be returned directly to children.

Please ensure that you are not riding e-scooters on school grounds. We have lots of very young children on site and I know you would hate it if they were knocked over by an adult riding an e-scooter.

Have a restful weekend and we will see you all on Monday morning!



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.

Dates for Your Diary
Yellow highlights – change of date / New Dates

2023-24

11 th October	Y1/2 visit to the Tower of London
13 th October	Mrs Wiles Class worship
18 th October	Y6 PESE Test results to parents
19 th October	Flu Vaccinations for children
20 th October	Mr Donald Class worship
20 th October	Last day of term 1 for pupils
30 th October	First day of term 2 for pupils
3 rd November	Miss West class worship
3 rd November	Friends Firework Display
13 th and 14 th November	Parents Evening
10 th November	Mrs Head Class worship
16 th November	Visit to the Houses of Parliament
17 th November	Mrs Apps/ Mrs Hughes Class worship
4 th December	KS1/ EY Christmas Productions 1.30 – Jellyfish 6.30 – Clownfish
5 th December	KS1/ EY Christmas Productions 1.30 – Starfish 6.30 – Angelfish
6 th December	KS1/ EY Christmas Productions 1.30 – Clownfish 6.30 Jellyfish
7 th December	KS1/ EY Christmas Productions 1.30 – Angelfish 6.30 – Starfish
8 th December	Christmas Fair – 3.15pm
11 th December	Y6 Church Day
11 th December	Y1/2 Party
12 th December	Y5/6 Party
12 th December	Y1 at Church meeting nativity Characters
12 th December	KS2 Carol Service – 7pm St Leonards Church
13 th December	Y3/4 Party
13 th December	School Christmas Lunch
14 th December	YR Party
15 th December	Christmas Service – 1.30
15 th December	Last day of term 2 for pupils
2 nd January	Staff non-contact day
3 rd January	First day of term 3 for pupils
12 th January	Mrs Whitham Class worship
19 th January	YR Class Worship

26 th January	Miss Cobb Class Worship
2 nd February	Mr Gollop Class Worship
9 th February	Last day of term 3 for pupils
19 th February	First day of term 4 for pupils
26 th and 27 th February	Parents Evening
1 st March	Miss Flaxton Class worship
6 th March	Y3 Church Day
7 th March	World Book Day
8 th March	Mr Donald Class Worship
11 th -15 th March	Science Week
15 th March	Miss West class Worship
18 th – 22 nd March	Y6 Residential
25 th March	Y2 at church meeting characters from the Easter story
27 th March	Easter Service 10am
28 th March	Last day of term 4 for pupils
15 th April	First day of term 5 for pupils
26 th April	Mrs Wiles Class Worship
6 th May	Bank Holiday
8 th May	Y4 Church Day
13 th - 16 th May	KS2 SATs
22 nd May	Hythe Bay's Got Talent
23 rd May	Y5 PESE meeting for parents (to discuss secondary transfer)
24 th May	Last day of term 5 for pupils
3 rd June	First day of term 6 for pupils
12 th June	Y5 Church Day
10 th to 14 th June	Y1/Y2 phonics Check
26 th June	Sports Day
27 th June	Alternative Sports Day in case of rain!
28 th June	Mrs Apps / Mrs Hughes lass worship
4 th July	Slip through day – meet your new teacher
5 th July	Mrs Whitham Class worship
9 th and 10 th July	Y6 Production
12 th July	End of Year Reports to parents
12 th July	YR class worship
15 th July	Open Afternoon
	YR Graduation
19 th July	Leavers Service – 10am St Leonards
19 th July	Last day of term 6 for pupils
22 nd July	Staff non-contact day
23 rd July	Staff non-contact day