

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

1 John 3: 18



24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## Newsletter 21

Good Afternoon

We came back to school with a bang this week, classes have started their new topics and are very excited about the stunning starts planned by teachers. Y3/4 went out into the town to investigate the age of local buildings to start their Tudor Topic, they all seem very excited to learn about life in Tudor times. Y1/2's topic will answer the question "Do all animals have fur" – the first day of term was filled with animals who visited school - there was a horse, a chicken, a dog to name a few. YR have been celebrating Shrove Tuesday all week but next week begin their topic on Space and Year 5/6s topic is "Who done It", they are focussing on the life of Charles Darwin and the theory of evolution. Some children from Y5/6 also went to do a 3D Art and Design project at Folkestone Glassworks this week.

The Herald Cup Football tournament began this week. This is a tournament for local schools and is a very important event in the school sporting year. This year there is a girls and a boy's tournament. On Tuesday we played our first game against St Nicholas School, last year's champions. Hythe Bay played wonderfully and won the match 2:1. The boys were great sportsman and we were all very proud of the great start they have made to the competition. The girls played on Thursday night against Hawkinge School and won 3-1. This is especially good because this is the first Girls competition in the Herald Cup ever and our girls were simply, marvellous.

### **PARENTS EVENINGS**

Parents Evenings are planned for the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> February, the appointments lists are up in the entrance hall. Please sign up for an appointment, as usual we are happy to see you face to face, have a chat on the phone or have a Teams virtual call. This is a great chance to chat with teachers and find out exactly how all your child is doing at school.

### **WORLD BOOK DAY**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March is World Book Day, we hope we will be celebrating all day in school, although this is a Teachers planned Industrial Action day. It would be really great if children could come to school dressed as their favourite book character that day. Please don't rush out and spend much needed money on fancy costumes – a super hero pair of pyjamas, football kit for any character from a Rob Childs book, an old sheet as a ghost, a tie and a spare of old spectacles for Harry Potter or a dress and an apron for Alice in Wonderland or Matilda would be magnificent.

Our theme this year is Reading for Pleasure. With this in mind, although we will have all the usual fun of dressing up, a celebration assembly and some activities in classroom - our emphasis is very much about encouraging our children to simply love reading! From 3:15pm - 4:00pm the school hall will become the Hythe Bay Reading Café. There will be countless story books of all age appropriate levels for you to come in and enjoy reading with your child. We will be on hand to supply drinks and biscuits. So please come and grab a drink, pull up a seat and enjoy sharing a good book together.

## **HYTHE Mum2Mum Nearly New Market**

Saturday 4 March 2023, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Hythe Bay Church of England Primary School, Cinque Ports Avenue, CT21 6HS

BUY top quality second hand baby and children's clothes (0-6 years), toys, books and equipment at our award winning pop up market. There will be a huge variety of just about everything! Come along and grab a bargain - it's better for the family budget and the environment.

- \*STALLS brimming with bargains!
- \*Entry only £2 per adult (kids go free)
- \*Free entry after 12 noon
- \*Goody bag for the first 100 buyers including information about local businesses, discounts and a sweet treat!
- \*Tea, coffee and squash included for all
- \*Cakes and bakes available to buy

SELL! If you would like to sell at this market, you can book a stall and keep 100% of the proceeds on sale day. Stalls are £18 including a table and enough space for a large item such as a pram or a clothes rail. Clothing rails are also available to hire. To book a stall please visit <https://bit.ly/M2MHythe1>

### **INDUSTRIAL ACTION BY NEU**

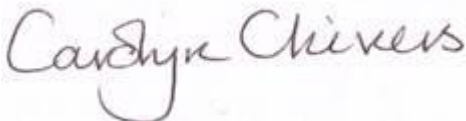
On Newsletter 20 I mentioned that teachers who belong to the NEU have voted to go on strike on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March. **At the moment we are planning to keep the school open for the strike next Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** but as teachers are not obliged to tell us whether they are going to strike or not in advance of industrial action there may be some disruption to learning and it could be at short notice I am afraid. **If a class teacher chooses to strike and we have no one available to cover their classes we will have to close that class for the day of the industrial action.**

### **FRIENDS OF HYTHE BAY FILM AFTERNOON**

The Friends of Hythe Bay Film Afternoon takes place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March in the hall. For £3 children can watch Encanto. The entrance fee will include a drink and popcorn. You just need to sign your child up for the event at the office, you don't need to accompany your child unless you want to, staff and Friends of Hythe Bay members will be there to supervise.

On behalf of all the governors at Hythe Bay I just want to let you know that they will be in school all day on Tuesday, March 28th. Some of them will be in reception before school and would like to meet you. Please pop in to say hello and talk to them about your child's/ children's experiences at Hythe Bay. We look forward to seeing you.

There will be a residential meeting for Year 6 parents, on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 3.30pm in Sea Dragons - Miss Cobb's classroom. Please come along with any questions, queries or worries.



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>	
27 <sup>th</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evenings
1 <sup>st</sup> March	Residential Meeting – Year 6 Parents from 3.30pm in Sea Dragons
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Proposed Industrial Action by the NEU
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Friends Film Night
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Dragonfish Class Worship 10.30am
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Hythe Mum2Mum Nearly New Market
6 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 Church Afternoon
8 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Sea Dragons Class Worship 10.30am
13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Science Week
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Photos
15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Proposed Industrial Action by the NEU
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Friends Mother's Day Shop
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Dragonet Class Worship – 10.30am
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Friends St Patrick's Day Rock and Roll Bingo – 7.00pm
20 <sup>th</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 Residential
21 <sup>st</sup> March	World Poetry Day
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Seahorses Class Worship – 10.30am
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Church Afternoon
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
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
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Friends Summer Party on the Playground
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
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