



19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

## Newsletter 40

Good Afternoon Parents, Friends and Colleagues



Finally the summer holidays are upon us, at last the weather has improved and everyone is ready for a good long break. Children are getting more and more excited at the prospect of six weeks off school and staff are already busy planning for their new classes. It has been a great year at Hythe Bay filled with lots of exciting learning opportunities, children who have made some outstanding progress and as usual huge amounts of fun and enjoyment.

The children who are leaving us to go to Secondary school are absolutely ready, today they think they want to stay here for ever but in a few weeks when they return to see us they will realise just how ready they are and probably think us rather babyish. The families we have known for the last seven years are like our own families and we shall miss them all so much, but times change and it is time to move on to pastures new. Staff leaving us today are all heading for exciting new phases in their lives and will also be missed.

For myself, it's been the most amazing thirty-three years of my life. This is a very special place full of the most fantastic people.

The colleagues I have had the privilege of working with are like no others I have worked with before. They are the most caring, professional, fun loving people. They all want the very best for Hythe Bay children and believe every child deserves as many chances as they need. They are in short, my people – I love them all and wish them all the very best.

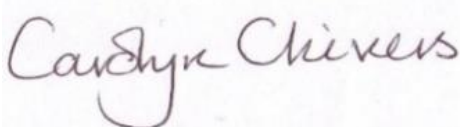
As parents and carers you are awesome, you love your kids unconditionally and will fight tooth and nail for what is right for them. You are all so supportive of this school, not afraid to challenge us when we get it wrong but always loyal to us and sensitive to the needs of others.

Your children have been my life, they have caused me sleepless nights, they have frustrate me beyond all belief but they are the most fantastic kids – funny, caring, kind, in short simply wonderful people. You should all be very proud of each and every one of them – I certainly am.

Hythe Bay is in great hands under Rebecca’s leadership and will go from strength to strength in the next few years. I cannot wait to hear about all the marvellous things that are about to happen.

Thank you for all the magnificent send off, the really touching letters, cards and gifts, I will treasure them all.

Have a great summer – I will miss you all.



Headteacher

#### [Job Vacancy – Whole School Meals](#)

[Kitchen Assistant](#), based at Hythe Bay Primary School

The successful candidate(s) must be a good team player, confident, self-motivated and hard working. You will be a key player in a small team.

Duties include assisting with food preparation, washing up, serving meals, cleaning of kitchen equipment, setting up and clearing the dining hall and working with the team to run an efficient service and carry out any other duties that may be requested by the cook.

Previous experience of working in a similar environment is desirable, but not essential. Ideally the successful candidate will hold a Food Hygiene certificate, however training towards this will be given.

Hours of work are 09:45am-1:45pm, Monday-Friday, term time only, plus 5 additional cleaning days.

Job Type: Part time, Permanent

Start Date: 1<sup>st</sup> September, (subject to an enhanced DBS check).

Please contact Julia Hallett 01304 611010 or email [operations@wholeschoolmeals.co.uk](mailto:operations@wholeschoolmeals.co.uk)

<b>Dates for Your Diary</b>	
<b>Yellow highlights – change of information /new dates</b>	
<b>2024-25</b>	
24 <sup>th</sup> August	Exhibition of the Monarchs An art display by the children of Hythe Bay at Hythe Town Hall
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Staff non-contact day
2 <sup>nd</sup> September – 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Y6 parents need to make secondary school applications
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Staff non-contact day
4 <sup>th</sup> September	First day of term 1 for pupils
12 <sup>th</sup> September	Kent Test for Y6 children who have registered
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Meet the Teacher
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Shepway Grammar School Test
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Dover Grammar School Test
17 <sup>th</sup> September	Individual/ family photographs
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Harvest Festival
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Results for Kent Test sent to parents
21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 Residential
25 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day of term 1 for pupils
4 <sup>th</sup> November	First day of term 2 for pupils
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term 2 for pupils
6 <sup>th</sup> January	First day of term 3 for pupils
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term 3 for pupils
24 <sup>th</sup> February	First day of term 4 for pupils
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of term 4 for pupils
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Staff non-contact day
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	First day of term 5 for pupils
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Last day of term 5 for pupils
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	First day of term 6 for pupils
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term 6 for pupils
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Staff non-contact day
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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.