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## Newsletter 38

## Good Afternoon

Well, we are counting the days until the end of the school year. The final week is due to be full of celebration and fun.

Monday is Open Afternoon, come along from 2pm to join your children in their clasroom. This is a chance for you to take part in some of the learning, have look at their books and just to enjoy an hour in school.

Tuesday is Slip Through Day. This is the day children meet their new teachers and classmates ready for September. They will spend the whole day as their New Year group, finding out about the exciting things they will be doing next year. Children will be told who their new teacher will be on Monday. Children should be dropped off and collected from their current classrooms.

There will be a few staff changes next year. Mrs Roche and Mrs Hughes are retiring from teaching, they have both been at Hythe Bay for many years and are looking forward to going on holiday during term time! Mr Gollop is moving to work for the Turner School Trust, he will be leading their Resourced Provision for Autistic children. Mrs Moseley is also leaving to work less hours and Mrs Wicks will be leaving to work more hours as her children have grown up and she does not need to work term time only anymore. Miss Lambert is moving across the playground to the nursery where she has been appointed as the new Administrator. We are all really pleased that Mrs Tarchetti and Miss Cook are returning from their maternity leave. We are so lucky with the staff we have at Hythe Bay, our staff is very stable and many work here for a long time. A more dedicated group of people you would find it hard to meet. We will miss them all but wish them all the very best of luck for the future.

The Leavers Service will be held at 10.00am at St Leonard's Church on Friday, it will be led by the Y6 children who will be leaving us to go to Secondary School. Parents are most welcome.

Whole School Meals have informed us that the price of a school lunch will rise to £2.50 from September. Remember that children who are moving to Year Three will have to pay for their dinners unless you are eligible for benefit related free school meals.

If you think you are entitled to benefit related Free School Meals you have to register. This also entitles you to the holiday meals allowance and various winter fuel payments and also increases our school budget. If you are not sure whether you are entitled to Free School meals, chat with Sue in the office she will be happy to help.

Everyone here is very excited about the Football Final on Sunday and we know many children will want to stay up and watch the match and will probably be tired on Monday morning. We will be here at the usual time but will keep the registers open until 10am for any children who are not able to get into school on time.

Just a reminder that if you have any bills outstanding, it would be great if they were settled before the end of term.

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Dates for Your Diary		
	Yellow highlights – change of information /date	
2023-24		
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Open Afternoon	
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Slip through day – meet your new teacher	
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Service – 10am St Leonards	
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	
2024-25		
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	
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Shepway Grammar School Test	
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Dover Grammar School Test	
17 <sup>th</sup> October	Results for Kent Test sent to parents	
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	
14 <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	

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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
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