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Hythe Primary School Newsletter

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A message from Miss Peppard

Good morning everyone! Over the past couple of weeks we have seen lots of visitors in school and today our Y5/6 pupils have ventured out to the Sea City Museum. We're really aware of the pressures on families with the rising costs for almost everything so we have tried to limit the number of trips that come with a cost. Where possible, we use our local area and school grounds to provide extra experiences for the pupils to help engage them in their learning. So far this year: Y5 children have taken part in the Shoreline experience, organised and fully funded by BMT Global, and, Y1/2 children have enjoyed two experience days which have included a visit from the fabulous Tree House Theatre and a range of exciting activities (including a banquet) organised by the staff team to support with their learning about Kings, Queens and Castles. As Yr R are still getting to know the school, they've had lots of opportunities to explore the school grounds and y3/4 have a cave painting experience (in school and organised by staff) coming up this term. There have also been a number of sporting events that a number of junior children have been part of (we try to involve as many children as possible over the year) - thank you to all of those parents who have supported with transport!

We'd really appreciate your feedback about trips and visitors so we can aim to get the balance right so if you have a spare 5 minutes, please complete this short form

<https://forms.gle/bbFzooSHwRgSavDJ6>

Safeguarding update: As Educational Visits Coordinator (EVC) for the school, I have recently completed EVC training again. This is required every 5 years to ensure that EVCs have an up to date knowledge of new guidance, risk assessments and resources to support the safe planning of trips and experiences for children.

Miss Peppard

Hythe & Waterside Fireworks

The Hythe & Waterside Firework display will be on 5th November.

After half term we are hoping to have more details and to sell tickets at the school office. We will give parents more details as soon as we can.

Rotary Shoe Box Appeal

Every year we ask parents to help with the Rotary Shoe Box appeal which helps children in other countries (including the Ukraine) get a small gift for Christmas. As usual we have boxes for the appeal at the school office. A list of items can be collected from the office as well but items allowed in the box are as follows: Small toys, books, hats, gloves, socks, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, pens, pencils, card games, sports items, hairbrushes/combs, skipping ropes etc.

If you cannot fill a box but would like to donate a few of these items, please place them in a bag and hand them in at the office and we will put donations together. Items not permitted are: liquids, food, war/religion related items, sharp items etc. Decorate the boxes if you like with colourings or stickers and drop them into school before half term.

Help us to put a smile on children's faces this Christmas!

Reminders and Requests

Christmas Card designs - Card designs need to be returned by 16th October. If you would like to see your child's design as a Christmas card, mug, tea towel etc, we need to have them back by Friday. Parent information on the forms will not be shared with any 3rd parties other than the firm printing the designs.

Year R - Year R recently had their photos taken by the Daily Echo for their First Class section. These will be appearing in the paper on 13th November.

KS1 - There will be a work share for parents to come to at 8.50 - 9am on 23rd October in Mrs Ison and Miss Southwell's classrooms.

Year 6 - Applications for Year 6's Secondary Schools close on 31st October.

Half term - We close on Friday 23rd October at 3.15pm and re-open on Tuesday 3rd November at 8.45am.

Individual photos - 23rd October.

Disco tickets and mufty day - Today is the last day to buy disco tickets for Friday's disco. Only children on the disco register will be allowed entry.

This Friday is also a mufty day for the whole school.

Bookshelf - We have two book shelves opposite the music room for children to take a book from. They can choose from a variety of books and take them home to keep and read.

Bags 2 School - Thank you to everyone who donated clothes for the Bags 2 School collection last week. We managed to gather 238kg of clothes and shoes.

The bin is now obviously empty ready for more donations to come in as and when parents have a clear out.

Harvest Festival - We had an amazing amount of donations last week for Harvest Festival and the Waterside Foodbank were extremely grateful for everything that was donated. 2 people managed to get 6 items for £2 so well done to them for taking up our challenge.

Book Fair

Are you looking for a lovely Christmas/Birthday present for someone special?

We are having our book fair on 4th & 5th November. There will be a large amount of new books, stationery and gifts for children. The fair will be at 3.15pm - 4pm on both days in the school hall.

Children In Need

Soon it will be time for the Children In Need staff bake off and mufty day.

Every year we raise money for this wonderful cause by letting our staff make and sell some of their wonderful home-made cakes and biscuits. This year it will be in the hall on November 12th at 3.15pm and then we have a mufty day on Friday 13th November. Please come along and buy some tasty treats.