

Hythe Bay Children's Centre Nursery

Term 4 Newsletter 2024/2025



What we have been doing

In term 4, children have observed and taken part in science experiments, learnt about living things' life cycles, habitats and homes, and explored the four seasons, with a focus on Spring weather, plants and animals. We had our 'walk-through-Wednesday' for parents. Children's assessments have been published, and parents are welcome to arrange parents' meetings with key persons, rooms leaders, Shane (SENCO) or Vicki (manager and teacher). These could be in person or via phone-call.

What we will do next

Please bring in sun cream and sun hats. In term 5 we will be learning about different careers, hobbies, religions, languages and cultures for our people in our community curriculum topic. We have contacted professionals from Kent police, ambulance and fire rescue services to hopefully organise for them to visit our nursery. Please speak with Vicki or Radka if you, or someone you know, would like to volunteer to talk with the children about a career, hobby, religion or culture. We will also have some Easter activities on offer, so please let your key person know if you would not like your child to participate in these activities.

Staff news

Radka attended Sensory Circuits training and Family Partnerships training. Vicki attended an Early Years and Childcare Briefing and Networking session. Shane and Vicki attended a workshop for the new model of support for Early Years Providers in Kent.

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Please follow us online to stay updated! Posts are visible on our website too.

Dates for your diary

Monday 31st March - Friday 11th April - Early Spring break for TTO children.

Friday 18th April - Nursery Closed - Good Friday (replacement funding day offered July / August).

Monday 21st April - Nursery Closed - Easter Monday (replacement funding day offered July / August).

Monday 5th May - Nursery Closed - Bank Holiday (replacement funding day offered July / August).

Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - Late Spring break for TTO children.

Monday 26th May - Nursery Closed - Bank holiday (replacement stretched funding day offered July / August).

Dates are on the nursery website.

Funding reminder

Parent declaration forms need to be completed and signed by parents of children in receipt of funded hours at the start of terms 1, 3 and 5 each year.

Parents using the extended funding (up to 30 hours) are responsible for confirming their eligibility and reconfirming every three months online.

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Log in to ParentZone



Let us know if you're not yet able to access your child's learning journal online! We just need an email address.

Hythe Bay Designated Safeguarding Leads

Rebecca
Chair Trustee

Vicki
Manager



Radka
Deputy Manager

Danielle
Third in Charge

Other Safeguarding Contacts

**Local Authority Designated Officers
Safeguarding Advisory Service (LESAS):**
Please use the LESAS enquiry form on their website

Kent Safeguarding Children Multi-agency Partnership:

<https://www.kscmp.org.uk/guidance/worried-about-a-child>
Frontdoor@kent.gov.uk

NSPCC:

help@nspcc.org.uk
0808 800 5000



Childcare
Choices

To keep your 30 hours free childcare place **you** need to check your details are up to date every 3 months. Go to gov.uk/childcareaccount

HM Government

Global Goals for Sustainable Development



Closed Facebook Group:
[Hythe Bay Children's Centre Nursery Parents and Staff](#)

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Hythe Bay Children's Centre
Nursery Opening Dates, Term Dates for Term-Time-Only (TTO) children and dates of events
Academic Year 2025/2026

Autumn Term (1 and 2)

Monday 1 st September	Staff development day (team building, staff wellbeing, and set-up)
Tuesday 2 nd September	Staff development day (home visits / stay and play sessions)
Wednesday 3 rd September – Friday 17 th October	Term 1 for TTO children
Monday 20 th – Friday 24 th October	Autumn break for TTO children and staff
Monday 27 th October – Tuesday 16 th December	Term 2 for TTO children
w/c 27 th October	Staff Team Meeting
W/C 8 th December – tbc by room leaders	Christmas workshops, party and lunch.
Wednesday 17 th December	TTO staff development day (policies)
Thursday 18 th – Thursday 1 st January	Festive break for TTO children and staff
Wednesday 24 th December	FT staff development day (policies)
Thursday 25 th December – Thursday 1 st January	Nursery closed for all children and staff

Spring Term (3 and 4)

Friday 2 nd January	Staff development day (curriculum / SEND)
Monday 5 th January – Friday 13 th February	Term 3 for TTO children
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th February	Winter break for TTO children
Monday 23 rd February – Friday 27 th March	Term 4 for TTO children
W/C 23 rd February	Staff Team Meeting
Wednesday 25 th March	Walk-through-Wednesday – Pre-booked appointments only
Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April	Early Spring break for TTO children
Friday 3 rd April / Good Friday	Nursery Closed (replacement funding on Tuesday 14 th April)
Monday 6 th April / Easter Monday	Nursery Closed (replacement funding on Monday 13 th April)

Summer term (5 and 6) (stretched summer funding starts 15th April)

Monday 13 th April – Friday 22 nd May	Term 5 for TTO children
W/C 13 th April	Staff Team Meeting
Monday 13 th April	Replacement spring stretched funding day for Monday 6 th April
Tuesday 14 th April	Replacement spring stretched funding day for Friday 3 rd April
Wednesday 15 th April	Summer stretched funding starts
Monday 4 th May	Nursery Closed – Bank Holiday
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May	Late Spring break for TTO children
Monday 25 th May	Nursery Closed – Bank holiday
Monday 1 st June – Monday 20 th July	Term 6 for TTO children
w/c 1 st June	Staff Team Meeting
Saturday 27 th June	Summer open morning 10am-12pm
Monday 6 th – Friday 10 th July	Parent meetings – Pre-booked appointments
End of July - date tbc	Nursery leavers' event for children going to school in September
Tuesday 21 st July	Staff development day for TTO staff (health and safety)
Wednesday 22 nd July – Monday 31 st August	Summer break for TTO children and staff
Wednesday 19 th August	Replacement stretched funding day for Monday 4 th May
Thursday 20 th August	FT staff development day (health and safety)
Friday 20 th August	Replacement stretched funding day for Monday 25 th May
Monday 24 th – Monday 31 st August	Nursery closed for all children and staff