Mayfield Messenger

A message from Mr Howard

Dear parents and carers,

I am delighted to share some updates from our recent Inset Day, where we focused on developing high-quality teaching and fostering a culture of continuous improvement within our school community. Our staff were fully engaged in a day packed with professional development, aimed at ensuring that every student receives the very best learning experience possible.

One of the key areas of focus in primary was using data as an analytical tool to inform and enhance teaching practices. By carefully reviewing student progress and outcomes, we are better equipped to tailor our approach to meet the needs of all learners. This will enable us to deliver even more personalized and effective learning opportunities, supporting every student to reach their full potential. Additionally, in secondary, we took time to review our curriculum, ensuring that it is rich, diverse, and aligned with the highest standards of educational practice. We remain committed to providing a curriculum that prepares our students for the future, fostering not only academic success but also critical thinking and creativity. There's a real sense of energy and enthusiasm as we look ahead to the coming months.

As we approach the end of the term, we are excited to announce that our end-of-term celebration assemblies are just around the corner! These will be a fantastic opportunity to come together and celebrate the achievements of our students. We are looking forward to showcasing their hard work, dedication, and successes.

Talking about successes, congratulations to our Year 8 football team who celebrated a well-deserved 3-2 win against Springfield. Our Year 11 football team, who represented our school at the Isle of Wight in the quarter finals of the Hampshire cup, demonstrated all three of the school values, despite narrowly missing out on a victory. A huge thank you to Mr Reid and Mr Hill for coaching the students during these matches.

Thank you for your continued support.

#Believe. Achieve. Succeed. #TeamMayfield



Mayfield v Springfield Football Match

Mayfield's Year 8 football team made history as they played the school's first home game in over five years—and what a way to mark the occasion! Facing a strong Springfield side, the boys put in a performance full of determination and resilience, securing a dramatic 3-2 victory.

After an intense start, the game remained tight, but Springfield managed to edge ahead, leaving Mayfield 2-1 down with just 15 minutes to play. However, the team showed incredible spirit, stepping up their game and fighting back with two fantastic goals to turn the match around.

A special mention goes to Teddy Wain, whose leadership on the pitch was outstanding. He also delivered a moment of brilliance with a stunning free kick, helping to inspire the team to victory.

Well done, lads! A fantastic effort and a well-deserved win—this is just the beginning of an exciting journey!

Mayfield v Carisbrooke Football Match on the Isle of Wight

The Year 11 football team put in a great performance against Carisbrooke on the Isle of Wight, showing skill, determination, and fantastic teamwork throughout the match. Although the final score ended in a 2-0 defeat, the game was competitive, with our team creating several great chances but just missing out on converting them into goals.

Despite the result, the attitude and effort of every player were outstanding. It was a pleasure to be with such a good group of students, and they can hold their heads high after their performance.

Now, all focus turns to their last-ever game—the Portsmouth Cup Final. This will be a huge moment for the team, and they will be ready to give it everything one last time. Let's back them all the way!





Senior's Global Week

Throughout the week, our school has been celebrating Global Week, an opportunity to explore different cultures, languages, and traditions through a range of engaging activities.

The week began with an after-school crêpe-making session, where students had the chance to try their hand at making this classic French treat. Lunchtimes featured language taster sessions, allowing students to learn key phrases in various languages and gain insight into different cultures. On Thursday, we enjoyed a foodtasting event, where students and staff could sample dishes from around the world, appreciating the diversity of international cuisine.

On Friday after school, we wrapped up the week with a special celebration alongside our Language Ambassadors. They took part in a quiz competition, testing their knowledge of languages and cultures while engaging with lots of fun activities.



Wild Science Farm Visit

Our Year 1 pupils had an amazing time when Wild Science Animal Farm came to visit! They met a variety of fascinating animals and learned all about their habitats and behaviors. Some even had the chance to gently stroke them!

It was a fantastic hands-on experience that brought learning to life. A big thank you to Wild Science Animal Farm for an unforgettable day!

Year 9 Immunisation Session

The Year 9 Immunisation Session is scheduled for Tuesday 25 March 2025. Please take a moment to decide whether you would like your child to receive this vaccine. To give or withhold your consent, complete the form using the link below.



https://patient.inhealthcare.co.uk/a/landing

Consent code: 116463 (Please copy this before clicking the link).

If you have any questions, feel free to contact: Portsmouth.SAI@solent.nhs.uk or phone 0300 123 5074.

Government's Youth Strategy consultation

The Government is creating a new tenyear National Youth Strategy to tackle the challenges for this generation of young people and ensure that every young person can thrive.

Young people across the country will be able to have their say on decisions that affect their lives as the Government launches one of the most ambitious listening exercises in a generation today.

The survey and other engagement on this strategy is for young people aged 10-21 (up to age 25 with SEND) to shape this once in a generation strategy.

Find the link to the survey below, with a deadline of Wednesday 16th April: https://www.iwill.org.uk/NYS-Deliver-You/

Skoolkit - Havant



Skoolkit are preparing for their Summer peak trading time and are running a 10% discount week at our Havant branch in July! This discount week will run from Monday 7th July – Saturday 12th July and any Mayfield School new parents will receive a 10% discount on any purchases made during those dates, so be sure to put these dates in your calendar.

Hants & IOW OPCC Youth Commission - Government's Youth Strategy consultation

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Vacancies

We are currently hiring for the following roles to join our Mayfield community:



- Trustee and help shape the future of primary education
- Clerk for Mayfield

If you, or someone you know, would be a great fit for any of these roles and think you have what it takes, find out more using this link and apply now!

https://www.mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk/vacancies/





understanding needed to work in a school or college. It can apply to the many varied roles that full and part time support staff may fulfil

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Introductory session: Wednesday 2nd April 1pm to 2.30pm

9:30am to 12:00pm on the following dates 23rd 30th April; 7th 14th 21st May; 4th 11th 18th 25th June; 2nd July

The course will be delivered at The Learning Place

To book a space call (023)92 621860

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This free qualificat



Congratulations Freya!

Well done to Freya, who competed in a gymnastic competition recently and came away with 3 gold medals, 2 bronze and an overall gold medal, making her the Hampshire gymnastics champion! What a fantastic achievement!



Well done Alice!

A massive well done to Alice who achieved the Star of the Week award and The Principal's Award for Dedication, after attending the Abstract Performing Arts Centre for 3 years!



Share your child's success outside of Mayfield

If your child/ren have achieved something over the weekend or during the week, please share a picture and a brief description of the success. This could appear in the next Mayfield Messenger. Please send these to <code>general@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</code>

We look forward to seeing you all again next week. Have a lovely weekend!