

22nd November 2024



# Mayfield Messenger

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## A message from Mr Howard

Dear parents and carers,

As you know, we have introduced our first 2 new school values to the children, staff and community - RESPECT and INCLUSION.

At the beginning of the week, in our primary assembly, I revealed primary's value hero for INCLUSION - INCLUSIVE INDY. INCLUSIVE INDY is a penguin (the animal/value hero voted on by the pupils and staff in primary). INCLUSIVE INDY will help primary pupils to be reminded to be tolerant, show understanding and value the abilities of others.

This week I also introduced our third, and final, new school value – AMBITION.

This value received the third highest number of votes across the school community.

This has been revealed to the staff and children through assemblies and tutor, with primary pupils again now voting on an animal which they feel best represents the value of AMBITION. There will be more opportunities for our school community to further explore and unpick how we live and breathe our new core value of AMBITION in every moment of the day, whether we are at school, at home or within the community.

During the week, it was a pleasure to walk the school with the CEO of the Trust, Ms Hardingham. Although we have only just introduced our new values, children from across the school were able to say what they were, the journey that we have taken to get them and primary pupils sharing their excitement of voting for the value hero for AMBITION.

This week concluded with the Year 11 mocks. The level of ambition for our students has been incredibly high with many students talking with me about the revision that they done in the lead up to each exam. Well done to every Year 11 student!

I wish you all a good weekend.

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### Let it Snow!

Snow graced us with its presence yesterday, creating lots of excitement across the school. Our Primary pupils were invited to take a look at the large snowflakes, and lets just say they were very eager to go out and play in the snow! At the sight of snow, that's when you know Christmas is just around the corner.



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## Friends Of Mayfield



We would like to update you on our recent activities and upcoming events that unite our community. Our monthly committee meeting on Monday, the 4th, was very productive, enabling us to finalise several exciting events.

Looking ahead, our Christmas Fayre for 2024 will take place in the sports hall featuring various stalls, games and refreshments, along with a special visit from Santa. Keep a look out for ticket details for our Storytime with Santa.

We will have a Christmas photo booth, where you can take fun photos of yourselves, family and friends. Any photos uploaded onto our facebook page will go into a draw, there will be a prize for a randomly selected photo!

Some of our senior children will be singing everyone's favourite Christmas songs, along with some of our BTech music students.

We are also seeking donations for our stalls and raffle. If you have any quality items, such as books, puzzles, bottles (pop, alcohol, hair & bath products), cans, individually wrapped cakes (no nuts), beauty products, toys and games, please deliver them to the main reception during the week of 25th November.

For updates, kindly join our Facebook page, Friends of Mayfield (Portsmouth).

Should you have any questions or comments, please email fom@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk.

Thank you for your continued support.

## Moments Matter, Attendance Counts.



Being late or having unauthorised absences will impact your child's future. Most employers and courses require maths and English GCSE as a minimum. Get them to school every day and see what they could become. Regular attendance at school is a key factor in opening up more opportunities in adult life. Good attendance helps children to make good progress in school and fulfil their potential in life. If you need any support with this, please contact our attendance team within the school.

## Mayfield Christmas Events Coming Up...



We have our annual FOM Christmas Fayre coming up on 6th December from 3 - 6PM, located in the sports hall.

We also have our Rotary Event on 11th December from 11.30 - 1PM with the location yet to be confirmed.

Finally, we have a Christmas Carol Evening on 17th December from 5 - 6PM where a band will play some festive tunes, along with some classic carols for you all to sing along. Look out for some information on these exciting events very soon!

## Year 12 Certificate Evening



Our former Year 11 pupils are invited to join us for our Certificate Evening, taking place;

Tuesday 26th November  
5.30 - 6.30PM

Come along for nibbles, drinks, and a catch-up with old peers! Look out for an email in your inbox with an invitation, don't forget to look in your junk folders in case you may have missed it.

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**Wednesday 11th December 2024**

5.00 pm - 6.30 pm

**Mayfield School**  
Mayfield Rd,  
Portsmouth PO2 0RH

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## Well done Eleanor!

We'd like to give a massive shoutout to Eleanor, who performed in Elf Jr - The Musical at The Groundlings Theatre last weekend, you did a fantastic job and we, at Mayfield School, are incredibly proud of you!



## 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 [general@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:general@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday. Have a lovely weekend!