

## **HT Message – Mr. David Jeapes**

You may be aware that the Government have now confirmed that children aged 12 to 15 will be offered a single dose of the Pfizer vaccine as part of the wider vaccination programme. Please note that the oversight of this is with the school immunisation team. I appreciate that parents, carers and pupils will want more information about the benefits of this vaccine and clarity around the issue of giving, or withholding, consent. At this time the school awaits guidance around these matters – please rest assured we will publish this as it becomes available.

Please be aware that during the summer break, the Government have taken the decision to extend the provision of the nasal flu vaccine to include all children, this is a separate and different vaccine to the COVID 19. More information about this can be found here:

[Flu vaccination programme 2021 to 2022: briefing for schools - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/flu-vaccination-programme-2021-to-2022-briefing-for-schools)

We can confirm the dates for the delivery of this are:

12<sup>th</sup> October for Year 7 to 11  
1<sup>st</sup> December for Year R to 6

Please find attached to this issue of the Mayfield Messenger information about giving consent for your child to have a flu vaccine. Our unique school LEA code is: 116463.

If you have any questions about the flu vaccination, then please direct them to:

[snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-ports@nhs.net](mailto:snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-ports@nhs.net)

## **Meet the Tutor Evening - Year 7 to 11**

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September we will be running a ‘meet your child’s tutor’ evening between 4:00pm and 7:00pm. This will be an opportunity for parents and carers of pupils in Year 7 to 11 to meet your child’s tutor and see how they have settled into their new tutor group and ask any questions you might have about our school systems. We intend to run this event ‘virtually’ and bookings can be made using our online booking system:

[SchoolCloud - Mayfield School](#)

If you have any questions about using this system, then please contact Mrs. Helen Patis, SIMS Manager, on:

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

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## **Updated Covid Guidance for Schools for September**

As ever, if your child is presenting any symptoms of COVID 19 please DO NOT send them to school and arrange for a PCR test using the link below:

[Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/get-a-free-PCR-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus)

We have seen a significant increase in the number of Covid cases being reported in the pupil body over the last week. The responsibility for track and trace now sits with the NHS rather than the school, but we are closely monitoring the cases to determine any possible in-school transmission which could be classed as an 'outbreak'. In the event of the thresholds for an 'outbreak' being reached, we will need to work quickly with colleagues from Public Health to scale up our safety measures which could include the reintroduction of masks and measures to reduce the amount of mixing between different groups of pupils.

Regular lateral flow testing remains one of the key defences against Covid-19 in schools. We have had a number of cases where a positive lateral flow test taken at home has led to early identification of a positive case and prevented further spread. I would strongly encourage all staff and pupils aged 11+ to take twice weekly lateral flow tests on a **Sunday evening/Monday morning** and **Wednesday evening/Thursday morning**. You may wish to take these tests more regularly and there is a plentiful supply of tests available from Pupil Services or the Medical Room.

Please report your child's results to the school by emailing [CovidTesting@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:CovidTesting@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk) or through the Google form on our website:

[Pupil Home Testing Results \(google.com\)](https://www.google.com/forms/d/1Bj8tYt0o3OURaNzJBR0xUQ004NjFQMi4u)

## **Lockers**

We have brand new lockers in the new school.

Any pupil in Year 7 to 11 may hire a locker. The cost for the year is £5 with a £2 charge for replacement keys. These may be purchased using the ScoPay system. Once you have received a confirmation email from ScoPay, your child should then go to Pupil Services to pick up their key. For any questions about hiring lockers, please email Mr. Vaughan Proudley on:

[Proudley-Vaughn@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:Proudley-Vaughn@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

## **Medication**

If your child needs to take any medication during the school day OR you wish to give us permission for them to use a school inhaler due to Asthma. Then please complete the form below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=17eMxmGmGkarCHowINbkEaHjIq47r0VGrz2BEQDkaAhUQ0pZVjYxT0o3OURaNzJBR0xUQ004NjFQMi4u>

If you have any questions about how we manage medication or support children with underlying health issues or immunisations, please contact Mrs. Sally Rowntree, Health and Welfare Officer on:

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

At the start of every year, we re-issue medical passes and toilet passes, unless your child has an ongoing medical need. If your child has need for a pass, then please contact Mrs Erika Anders on the email address above – please note that we may ask for supporting evidence.

### **Primary welcome meetings**

Next week we invite the remainder of our parents and carers within our Primary Section to a welcome and information meeting. These will run between 3:30pm and 4:30pm and take place in the Main Hall. The entrance to these is via your normal drop off and pick up gate.

- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September                      Year 4
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September                      Year R
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September                      Year 6

There is no need to book to come to one of these events.

### **Parking around the school**

When picking up and dropping off from school, can parents please ensure that they are respecting the local parking rules by not parking on double yellow lines or blocking sight lines at junctions where pupils may be crossing. Please also be aware that the access driveways between the houses on Hewett Road at the back of the school are private property. Please do not park, wait or turn your vehicle in these spaces.



### **Head of Seniors – Miss Louise Hillier**

How lovely to see all the pupils back in school and back to “business as normal”. Most of our Senior pupils have made an excellent start to their learning and are enjoying exploring our fabulous new building. We all feel like newbies here so Year 7 are not alone in feeling like they can’t find their rooms!!

Year 7 have settled so well into the Senior section and the extra-curricular clubs are bursting with pupils every evening. I would like to remind you all that Homework club runs every evening after school so if your child would like to get their homework done in school with staff to support them that opportunity is there.

Year 11 have had their Moving On assembly with the Lord Mayor and all the pupils who are prefects or Captains have now got their badges. Well done to them for stepping up to be role models for the rest of the school. I hope you saw the photos on our social media account.

The FLS@Mayfield went on a trip to the Southampton Boat Show for the “Women in the Marine Industry” Event on Thursday. The Southampton Boat Show attracts a wide variety of people working in different sectors that make up the marine industry. It is thought of as being very male dominated. However, today the Year 10 cohort of the FLS@Mayfield got the opportunity to meet and network with many successful women working in the marine industry and in STEM. A full write up can be found on our website but all the people who went- staff and pupils- had a fabulous, but exhausting, day! Thank you to Mrs Fairley and Miss Roxby for running the trip.

This Friday we had Mr Brian Wilkie MBE in school to launch the Wilkie Scholarship for 2021/2022. We were delighted to welcome back Tareef Ahmed and Emily Dowse to this assembly who are our Wilkie Scholars from this year. As ever the pupils responded very well, and the timeline will be set out in the coming weeks for what those interested need to do to begin the application process.

We very much look forward to welcoming all of you virtually to the Tutor Parents Evening next Thursday. We have reset the pupils back to mostly vertical groups- just Year 11 sit outside the vertical groupings. We hope to not have to reset the groups again- as you know Covid bubbles brought about the year-long shift to single year tutor groups- so please do take the opportunity to start to build a really strong relationship with your child’s tutor. The details for the evening are above and we would be delighted to see you.

We continue to check equipment on the gate every morning and I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of what the pupils need to have every day:

- Black pen and spare
- Pencil and spare
- Purple pen
- Eraser
- Ruler
- Highlighter
- Casio Fx Scientific calculator
- Reading book for Years 7 – 9

Thank you for your support in helping your child remember to pack their bag carefully every night ready for school.

Please remember that if you have a question then your child’s tutor is your first port of call- ask them for their email address when you meet them on Thursday. Otherwise the Head of House will be able to help you and their email addresses are:

Victory

Mr Denford

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

Discovery	Miss Webb	<a href="mailto:webb@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">webb@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a>
Intrepid	Miss Jones	<a href="mailto:jonesj1@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">jonesj1@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a>
Endeavour	Mr Campbell	<a href="mailto:campbell@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">campbell@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a>

### **Head of Primary – Mrs Fiona Rogers**

It has been fabulous to welcome you all back to our brand-new school! The children have had a very settled start to the term and we have especially enjoyed being able to play outside as year groups once again and come together for assemblies.

It has already been a very busy week in Primary and we have been very excited to have been able to start swimming lessons once again. The children have behaved in an exemplary way and have enjoyed being in the pool.

#### ***News from year 2***

Year 2 have been busy learning all about 'worries' and how to deal with them. We have read Ruby's Worry and created our own paint 'worries' which we blew with a straw to feather the edges. We have also been sorting objects into living and non-living things. Don't forget to ask your children about MRS GREN (the 7 living processes).

#### ***News from year 3***

Year 3 have had a great week. We have particularly enjoyed our PE session on Thursday where we participated in fitness, table tennis and basketball in our brand-new sports hall.



The year 3 trip to Butser Ancient Farm is on Thursday 23rd. The children **CAN** wear a pair of trainers or wellies (if wet). Please remember to pack a packed lunch for this trip.

#### ***News from year 4***

Year 4 children had a very successful first successful swimming lesson. They showed all the Learning Superpowers and were excellent representatives of Mayfield.



In English the children have been learning about manatees and exploring texts to get ideas for their own reports.

I would like to reassure parents that pupils from years 3 to 6 who have a packed lunch all have access to tables and seating at lunch times as well as the option to eat on the picnic blankets.

A reminder that all pupils need to have their PE kit in school at all times. We have a range of Pre-Loved and new PE tops for sale in our Pre-Loved shop which is open every Wednesday at the Kensington Road entrance. If you are looking for something in particular, please email Mrs Bradshaw on [bradshaw-kim@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:bradshaw-kim@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk) who will be able to assist you.

If you need to make contact with the school, your first point of contact should be your child's class teacher. The details of email addresses can be found here: [Meet the Staff | Mayfield School](#)

Finally, we are always looking to celebrate the achievements of pupils outside of school. If you have any news to share, please email Mrs Buck on [buckj@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:buckj@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk). Please note that any photos emailed for inclusion in the assemblies will be shared with parents via the SIMS parent app.

***Read below for Events this term:***

Please note the following contact details for each Head of House:

Year	Date	Time	Event
4	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	3.30pm-4.30pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Year 4 Parents' Welcome Meeting in main hall Please email: <a href="mailto:Pountain-Christina@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">Pountain-Christina@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
R	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	3.30pm-4.30pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Year R Parents' Welcome Meeting in main hall Please email: <a href="mailto:Percival-Jessica@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">Percival-Jessica@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
3	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	All day	<b>EVENT:</b> Year 3 Butser trip Please email: <a href="mailto:Turner-peyton@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">Turner-peyton@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
6	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	3.30pm-4.30pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Year 6 Parents' Welcome Meeting in main hall Please email: <a href="mailto:Newsam-James@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">Newsam-James@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
7-11	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	4.00pm-7.00pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Years 7-11 Virtual Tutor Evening Please email your child's tutor for details
7	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	7.00pm-9.00pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Year 7 FOM Disco Please email: <a href="mailto:FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
All	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	n/a	<b>EVENT:</b> School photographer Please email your child's classroom teacher for details (Primary) Please email your child's tutor for details (Seniors)
All	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	n/a	<b>EVENT:</b> School photographer Please email your child's classroom teacher for details (Primary) Please email your child's tutor for details (Seniors)
All	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	n/a	<b>EVENT:</b> School photographer Please email your child's classroom teacher for details (Primary) Please email your child's tutor for details (Seniors)
FOM	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	7.00pm-9.00pm	<b>EVENT:</b> FOM Quiz Night in main hall Please email: <a href="mailto:FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
Seniors	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	2.00pm	<b>CLOSURE:</b> Senior section closes to pupils Please email: <a href="mailto:Recep@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">Recep@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
Primary	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	5.00pm-6.00pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Primary section Open Afternoon Please email: <a href="mailto:Recep@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">Recep@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
Senior	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30pm-8.30pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Senior section Open Evening Please email: <a href="mailto:Recep@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">Recep@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
All	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	All day	<b>INSET DAY:</b> school closed to all pupils
All	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	All day	<b>INSET DAY:</b> school closed to all pupils
Primary	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	4.30pm-7.30pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Primary Virtual Parents' Evening Please email your child's classroom teacher for details
R	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	n/a	<b>EVENT:</b> Year R NHS Screening in Oldfield Library Please email: <a href="mailto:BuckJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">BuckJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
Primary	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	4.30pm-7.30pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Primary Virtual Parents' Evening Please email your child's classroom teacher for details
R	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	n/a	<b>EVENT:</b> Year R NHS Screening in Oldfield Library Please email: <a href="mailto:BuckJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">BuckJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
11	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	4.00pm-7.00pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Year 11 Virtual Parents' Evening Please email your child's tutor for details
R & 1	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	5.00pm-6.00pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Year R & 1 FOM Disco Please email: <a href="mailto:FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
2 & 3	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	6.15pm-7.15pm	<b>EVENT:</b> Year 2 & 3 FOM Disco Please email: <a href="mailto:FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk">FirthJ@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk</a> for details
ALL	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Normal Times	<b>SCHOOL CLOSSES AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY FOR HALF TERM</b>
ALL	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Normal Times	<b>SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO ALL PUPILS FOR AUTUMN 2 TERM</b>

[DenfordP@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:DenfordP@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)  
[Jonesj1@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:Jonesj1@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)  
[CampbellJ@mayfeild.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:CampbellJ@mayfeild.portsmouth.sch.uk)  
[Webb@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:Webb@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

Head of Victory House  
Head of Intrepid House  
Head of Endeavour House  
Head of Discovery House

Please be aware that if your child is absent for any reason then you should contact the attendance team via:

Email - [attendance@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)  
Phone - 02392 693 432 – option 1  
Text/Call - 07908676745

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Dear Parents,

We recently sent out information regarding upcoming Nasal Flu Immunisation's in Schools. Unfortunately, we have been informed that some of the links have been difficult to negotiate, therefore we are sending out this useful information.

Please find the below link which you will need to use to access the In Health e-consent system: -

<https://links.inhealthcare.co.uk/solent-portsmouth-flu>

If this does not open, please copy and paste the link above into your search engine.

Once you click START you will then be prompted for the Unique School LEA Code which you will have received in your previous parent letter.

If classes are not appearing for you to select, please select Year Group again.

Once you have opened the form, you will be given an option to have a nasal spray or injection. Please can we ask that you select the nasal spray vaccination unless your child is unable to have this due to Medical or Religious reasons. The nasal spray contains porcine gelatine which acts as a stabiliser.

Please also complete the online form even if you do not want your child to receive the vaccine.

Please also refer to your previous parent letter for consent close date and school session date information. If you submit consent after this time your child will be unable to be given the immunisation in school but will be offered a clinic appointment.

Please ensure you inform the school and the Solent NHS School Aged Immunisation Team if there are any changes in your child's health within the 10 days before the vaccination date. For example: changes in your child's Asthma such as increased use of inhalers, change of inhalers and active wheezing. If your child has taken a course of oral steroids in the 14 days before the vaccination date it is important that you let us know.

If you have any questions at all, or if you are unable to complete the online consent form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Team on:  
[snhs.schoolagedimmunisations@ports@nhs.net](mailto:snhs.schoolagedimmunisations@ports@nhs.net)

With best wishes,  
School Aged Immunisation Team