

HT Message – Mr. David Jeapes

I understand that there have been some issues with the SIMS Parent App. Given this is our main means of communication with parents and carers, we have organised to run the following drop-in sessions, these will run from the Oldfield Library between 3:30pm and 4:30pm:

Thursday 2nd December
Thursday 9th December
Thursday 16th December

There is no need to pre-book, please just turn up with your device. If these prove popular, we will offer more dates in the new year. For help with school systems outside of the above, please contact:

BackhouseD@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk	for help with	ScoPay
Patis@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk	for help with	SIMS Parent

Please remember that our next staff training day is on Monday 29th November – school will be closed to all children on this day. The school's telephone system will also be off-line on this day for an essential upgrade. If you need to contact us on 29th November, please email general@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk

We have two further dates for next year:

24th January 2022

June 2022 – The exact date is subject to the publication of final assessment plans for the Summer 2022 GCSE series. We will confirm this in early 2022.

Covid Testing

We are beginning to see a rise in infections within our school community. As ever, the regular use of lateral flow tests remains one of the key lines of defence against Covid-19. All pupils aged 11+ are strongly encouraged to take twice weekly lateral flow tests on Sunday evening/Monday morning and Wednesday evening/Thursday morning. Boxes of tests can be collected from Pupil Services or the Medical Room.

School Production – Fame!

Our pupils have been working extremely hard on our school show and would love to share this with you. The show is on 1st, 2nd, 3rd December at 7pm and we would really appreciate your support and look forward to sharing our pupils hard work with you. Tickets are available from the main office or to purchase through ScoPay.

Friends of Mayfield

We look forward to welcoming you to our Christmas Fayre on Friday 10th December. It is Christmas Jumper day on 10th, if you have any Christmas jumpers that no longer fit, please consider donating them to the FOM who will be running a second-hand Christmas Jumper sale which will take place at the uniform shop on Wednesday 1st and 8th December 3.30-4.30pm at the Kensington road entrance.

Thank you as always for your support.

Extra-Curricular Survey for Year R-8 pupils

We would be very grateful if you could complete this short survey about the extra-curricular provision we offer here at Mayfield. As you know we are committed to providing a wide range of extra-curricular activities for your children to take part in. From time to time, we would like to gain feedback from our parents about extra-curricular to ensure we are doing our best to cater for all families, it should take only a few minutes and will provide us with some valuable information.

We thank you in advance for your time.

[Extra-Curricular Provision Survey - Google Forms](#)

Christmas Dinners, week beginning 13th December

Our traditional Christmas dinners are making a welcome return this December! The Christmas Dinners are a wonderful occasion when pupils and staff from the Primary and Senior sections get together in the Main Hall to celebrate the Festive Season with the rest of their House. The days for the Christmas dinners are as follows:

Monday 13th December - Victory House

Tuesday 14th December – Endeavour House

Wednesday 15th December – Intrepid House

Thursday 16th December - Discovery House

Friday 17th December – Year R and Little Sunbeams

The menu for this year's dinners is attached. For children in the Infant Section and for those who are entitled to free school meals, the Christmas dinner will be provided free of charge as the meal for that day. For all other pupils, parents are invited to make a voluntary donation of £2.25 per child via the Scopay system to help us cover the cost of providing a Christmas dinner for all pupils. Thank you in advance for your support.

Flu Vaccine – Year 7 to 11

Please note that On Wednesday 1st December there will be a catch-up session for any senior children who did not get the Flu Spray the first-time round. If you wish for your child to have the flu spray please follow the instructions in the letter attached.

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 10th December is Christmas Jumper Day and we will be inviting our whole school to wear Christmas jumpers to school on this day. Pupils should wear their Christmas Jumper with their school uniform, although there is no need to bring blazers on this day. This is to raise money for Save The Children charity. We will be collecting £1 donations on the gate in the morning. It will also help to get you in the festive spirit for our FOM Christmas Fayre happening on 10th 3-5pm in the main hall.

Head of Seniors – Miss Louise Hillier

This week Mr Reid took four Year 9 girls to the Inter Schools Cross Country Championships. He says:

“A great effort by all, especially Flo for coming second in a very talented race.

Our Term consisted of Flo, Amelia, Tilly and Amelia- well done girls.

'Commit to be fit, you've got this'. “



Friday, Miss Hutchinson took the Year 7 and 8 football team to compete in the EFL Girls Cup at Goals in Portsmouth. Miss Hutchinson says:

“The girls competed in 4 games and scored plenty of goals! There were goals from Carys, Megan, Rosie and Lottie. Great defending and goal keeping by China. Lots of saves from Georgia and great play from Vada and Jadesola. Well done girls it was lots of fun!”



During Hot Chocolate Friday this week I was lucky to meet a fabulous selection of Year 9 pupils. The nominees by Heads of House this week were:

Discovery	Arhum and J-Mari
Victory	Charles and Lacey
Intrepid	Lucy and Emily
Endeavour	Amelia and Amelia

They were a delight to spend time with and yet again this was the highlight of my week.



Mrs Anders and Mrs Rogers have taken a number of assemblies this week on reminding the pupils who they can go to if they need support for learning or any pastoral or safeguarding worries. We have a comprehensive team of staff who can support- whatever the concern. They also reminded the pupils about the 6Rs and how pupils should be using them both in school, and in the wider community to promote a positive school community and ethos. Please remember that if you have any concerns and want to talk to your child's tutor then the full list of email addresses for tutors can be found on our website [here](#).

I would just like to take this opportunity to wish the entire cast of Fame "Good Luck", or should that be "Break a leg"?, for next week's performances. The entire cast (and staff) have all worked so hard during rehearsals and it is sounding and looking great. Please do come along and support our Performing Arts team as they put on their first show in our new building- I am looking forward to it very much.

Head of Primary – Mrs Fiona Rogers

This week we have been as busy as ever with lots of things happening across Primary. Mrs Andrews and the year 6 have been very proud of the year 6 pupils who have sat their SATS tests this week. The focus has been amazing, and the children have coped well with the changes to their routine.

This week, as well as Pompey in the Community, we had CM Sports join us to support lunch times. The children can now choose to play football with PitC or team games with CM Sports. These activities run on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday for year 6 and a Tuesday and Thursday for years 3, 4 and 5.

Thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need last Friday. I hope that you managed to see some of the photos on social media! We raised an amazing £688.34 in total from donations and cake sales.

As we rapidly head towards December, I am pleased to tell you that our Christmas post boxes will be open from Wednesday 1st December. Please make sure that full names and classes are on the front of envelopes.

This week, Year R have been preparing for Sam the Seahorse, and Jam the Jellyfish's birthday party! We have been learning all about the tradition of birthdays and enjoyed planning everything that was needed to make it a special day for the animals.



The children have also finished learning all Phase 2 sounds in phonics and were so proud of themselves when they could see how many sounds this was altogether. We look forward to revising all the sounds over the next few weeks, before we get ready to start Phase 3.

This week Year 1 have been working extremely hard to independently write sentences about the hero they would like to be when they are older.

In Science, children were excited to have received a letter from Supertato himself! Evil Pea had stolen his cape and asked Year 1 pupils to design and make a new one for him to wear. Before we did this, we needed to test different materials to see if they were flexible, waterproof and strong.

Year 2 have been learning all about the importance of how to make an investigation fair in Science by testing the best way to wash our hands. We had lots of fun learning and telling Miss Hanick and Mrs Beechurst what they did wrong in not making their test fair. In Maths we have been rehearsing our addition and subtraction skills using tens frames, number lines and tens and ones. In English we have been sequencing our story 'The Day the Banana went BAD' and using connectives to add details to our sentences.

This week in Year 3, we have been looking at writing character descriptions in our writing. We have written some expanded noun phrases to describe Hansel and Gretel. In maths, we have been subtracting 2-digit numbers and have started to exchange tens. In PE, we have been working on our football skills, we have been practicing our dribbling skills.



This week, Year 4 have been creating scrap book pages as part of their research into Henri Rousseau, an artist who is famous for his paintings of the Rainforest. They used different papers, ribbon and other materials to display information about him and some of his artwork.



This week, Year 5 have been learning how to write a newspaper report! Within this, they have been learning sophisticated skills including how to use the perfect past tense when writing.

In Maths, they have been learning how to multiply by 10, 100 and 100 using the place value chart. They have become very efficient with this!

In topic, Year 5 have been learning about the effect of Gravity! They planned and carried out an investigation which tested their ideas.

I would like to thank Year 6 for their hard work and resilience this week. They undertook the assessments with great fortitude and a desire to continue to improve in their learning. The Year 6 team and I could not be prouder of what they have achieved.

Team Year 6

This week Year 6 used the Linnaeus System of classification to sort mammals, identifying those closest to humans and those with distinct differences. In art, the children continued to study Pop Art, moving on from Lichtenstein to study Ben Day dots. In maths the children have begun studying multiplication exploring factors and using known facts to support their own understanding.

Please can I remind parents that scooters and bikes cannot be brought onto the school site unless the children are wearing a helmet when they arrive. Please do not send children to school without a helmet as it is vitally important that they are kept safe during the journey to and from school.

Finally, please can I ask that parents leave the school site promptly after the 4.30pm pick up. From next week, we will be opening the gates slightly earlier to facilitate this.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all on Tuesday as Monday is an INSET day for the whole school.

Dear Parents,

Please find the below link from Solent NHS Trust School Aged Immunisation Service regarding upcoming Nasal Flu immunisation in school.

Please complete the online consent form using this link: [FLU Immunisation Service Self Enrolment - Inhealthcare Ltd.](#)

There is an option to receive the Flu vaccine via injection if your child is unable to have the Nasal Spray, as the contains porcine, due to religious reasons.

Please complete the E-Consent form even if you are declining for your child to receive the vaccine and the reason why.

Your unique school / LEA session code is: 116463

The consent will close midday 6 October 2021, prior to the school session on 12 October 2021. If you submit consent after this time your child will be unable to be given the immunisation in school and therefore will be offered a clinic appointment.

Please ensure you are informing the school if there are any changes in your child's health, for example, increased use of inhalers or started new medication, within the 10 days before the session in school.

If you have any questions at all, or if you are unable to complete the online consent form, please contact your school or the School Aged Immunisation Team on snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-ports@nhs.net

With best wishes,

School Aged Immunisation Team

FAQ's

- What is a LEA code?
- Local Education Authority code identifies the school.
- What does long term health condition mean?

Examples include: -

- Asthma
- Diabetes
- Heart condition
- Arthritis / rheumatological conditions
- Epilepsy
- Cancer

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Telephone: 023 8060 8900 Fax: 023 8053 8740 Website: www.solent.nhs.uk

- What treatment would affect someone's immune system?

Conditions or immunosuppressive therapy such as:-

- acute and chronic leukaemia's;
- lymphoma;
- HIV infection not on highly active antiretroviral therapy (HAART)
- cellular immune deficiencies
- high dose corticosteroids.
- What does anaphylaxis mean?

Severe allergic reaction requiring intensive care admission

- What does salicylate therapy mean?

Aspirin

- What is antiviral therapy?

Antiviral drugs act by killing or preventing the growth of viruses such as Oseltamivir (Tamiflu) and Zanamivir (Relenza)

- What is an unrepaired craniofacial malformation?
- Cleft palate
- Cleft lip
- Craniosynostosis
- What additional needs might affect their vaccination?
- Additional learning needs
- Social communication difficulties
- Hearing difficulties

FESTIVE MENU

Roast Turkey served with Roast Potatoes,
Stuffing, Chipolata, Peas, Carrots and Turkey
Gravy

Vegan Cheese and Cranberry Tart with Roast
Potatoes, Stuffing, Peas, Carrots and Gravy

Chocolate Brownie
Flapjack (GF & DF)

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