

### **HT Message – Mr. David Jeapes**

We are conscious of the excitement of our national football team making the Euro 2020 final. I can confirm that we will be open, at the normal times, on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July. Please do not interpret this as a lack of support from Mayfield School around the magnificent achievement of our men's football squad – however, we know that parents and children rely on us to provide a consistent experience – particularly given the highly disruptive year we have had.

Please be aware that the school is required to continue to track and trace pupils who may be close contacts up to and including 19/07/21. Consequently, if your child tests positive for COVID and/or develops symptoms and tests positive, then please inform us immediately by phoning the school immediately on 02392 693432 or, outside of school hours, email Mr. Matt Stedman, Director of Business Operations, on:

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

We will then identify any close contacts and inform you via SIMS Parent App and/or text. If you have not yet downloaded the SIMS Parent App or need support, then please contact Mrs. Helen Patis, on:

[Patis@mayfield.portsmouthsch.uk](mailto:Patis@mayfield.portsmouthsch.uk)

### **Presentation Evening 2021**

As a school we love to recognise the achievements of our pupils, sadly we are not able to do this via our traditional Presentation Evening this year. We are, however, still determined to celebrate their success. To enable us to do this we are intending on publishing phase specific presentations which will be released on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021 via social media and the School's website. The presentation will include the children's name, the award category and their school photo.

If your child has won an award, then you will have received a letter during the course of this week. If you DO NOT wish your child's photo to appear on this presentation – please alert us by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July by sending an email to Miss. Grace Newnham, on:

[Newnham-grace@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:Newnham-grace@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

### **Autumn 1 extra curricular programme**

The online booking system for booking your child onto an extra-curricular club during Autumn 1 half term opens at 6:00pm as follows:

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year R
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 and 2
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 and 4
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 and 6

The booking system closes to all Primary Section pupils on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 6:00pm.

### **Covid Testing over the Summer Holidays and in September**

The DfE have confirmed that there is no requirement for pupils to keep taking the twice weekly Lateral Flow Tests over the summer holiday period. We will be providing one further box of tests to pupils next week through tutor time. Your child may wish to keep taking the tests throughout the holidays for their own peace of mind and further supplies can be collected from a local pharmacy or ordered online from [Order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow tests - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-covid-19-rapid-lateral-flow-tests).

The DfE have indicated that all senior section pupils including the new Year 7 should take two Covid tests on-site at school before they return in September. These tests need to be spaced 3 – 5 days apart. We will be in the new school buildings for this round of testing and further details about the dates and times for each tutor group's tests will be made available before the summer holidays.

After this, the requirement to take twice weekly lateral flow tests will resume until the end of September when the policy is to be reviewed.

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

Revised Covid Guidance for Schools for September was published this week. Some of the main changes are:

- An end to the Bubble system. Assemblies can resume and children from different year groups can mix in playgrounds, at lunchtimes and in Extra-Curricular Clubs
- There will be no requirement for staff or adults to maintain social distancing in communal areas, offices and classrooms
- Schools will no longer need to carry out their own track and trace procedures. The NHS Track and Trace service will now work with families to identify the close contacts if a child tests positive
- Face coverings will no longer be advised for pupils, staff, parents or visitors in classrooms, communal areas or school minibuses
- Clinically extremely vulnerable pupils should attend school

Some important safety control measures will stay in place for the new academic year including:

- Maintaining a risk assessment that advises the school community on controlling the virus
- Ensuring good hygiene through regular washing and sanitizing of hands and the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach
- Keeping classrooms and office spaces well ventilated
- Following the current public health advice on self-isolation
- Having a contingency plan in the event of a localised outbreak that could mean reverting to remote education

### **Primary and Year 7 Summer School, 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August**

Bookings for the Summer Schools are now closed and confirmation letters have been sent to the children who have places on these events. If you have any queries or questions about the Summer Schools, please email:

Year 6 into 7 – Mr Tom Batchelor on [BatchelorT@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:BatchelorT@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

Primary – Miss Morgon Campbell on [Campbell-Morgon@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:Campbell-Morgon@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

### **Holiday Activity Programme**

Following the successful Easter holiday programme, CM Sports will also be hosting two weeks of Summer Holiday Activity Week. This programme is open to all Primary aged pupils who are entitled to Pupil Premium support, from Service families and those who have been identified as being vulnerable.

The first week of this programme is from 26<sup>th</sup> - 30 July, which will take place at the current school site. The second week of activities is from 31<sup>st</sup> August to 3<sup>rd</sup> September in the new school buildings. All sessions are free to attend and lunch is provided each day. Bookings need to be made directly with CM Sports following the links on the attached flier.

### **Joining Mayfield in September 2021?**

We have been informed that a small number of parents or carers of children joining us in September 2021 have not received their welcome email. If you have not, then please contact our admissions team on:

[Transition2021@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:Transition2021@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

### **Relaxation of Quarantine Rules**

Last summer, the DfE regulations required us to quarantine all items that were brought into school for at least 48 hours including home reading books and gifts. As we have learnt more about the transmission of the virus, this regulation has been relaxed so any items can now be handed directly to the staff on the classroom doors in the morning.

### **INSET Days and September start**

The last day for all pupils in the current building will be Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. This will be a normal school day for Primary, but a staggered finish for Seniors from 2:45pm. Extra-Curricular and Teatime Club will be operating as normal. More details will be published next week.

Mayfield will be closed to all pupils between Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

We will run a staggered start into the new school building as follows:

Years R to 7 and 11 will start on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September;

Years 8, 9 and 10 will start on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

### **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)

### **Head of Seniors (Miss Louise Hillier)**

We have had another busy week in Seniors this week. It was lovely to meet the Mayfield Year 6 pupils who will be starting Year 7 with us in September. My thanks to the Heads of House who spent the afternoon with them on Wednesday. The pupils made a fabulous first impression- so well done them!

We are planning on returning to vertical tutor groups in September- with each House having 7 mixed tutor groups with pupils from Years 7 to 10 and 2 separate Year 11 tutor groups. Pupils will know before they go home on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July who their tutor is in September but we won't form those groups until September. I know the Heads of House and myself are very pleased we are going back to vertical tutoring as it is the backbone of the family ethos we strive for at Mayfield School. Please note that school has a staggered finish for seniors from 2.45pm on the last day of term.

We would like to remind all our pupils that punctuality is important so please do remind your child that school starts at 8:10am for Years 7 and 8 and at 8:40am for Years 9, 10 and 11. We greet the pupils every day on the gate to check their equipment and check that they are ready for learning.

As you look to purchasing uniform for September can I please take this opportunity to remind you that shoes for school should be black, polishable and have no visible tags or logos.



A number of pupils have been arriving to school in Nike Airforce 1 high top trainers (see image) which are **not** allowed to be worn in school. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Head of Primary (Mrs Fiona Rogers)**

We have had a very exciting week this week with the children eagerly awaiting transition afternoon. It was so lovely to visit all the classrooms on Wednesday and see the positive atmosphere. There were certainly a lot of smiling faces at the end of the afternoon!



Well done to Year 4 for a fantastic DT Day. They built lighthouses that were purposeful, functional and appealing. Children worked hard to design their lighthouses so that they were similar to Southsea lighthouse and could fit an electrical circuit so they would light up.

As we are nearing the end of term, it has been a pleasure to send out letters to all those children with exemplary conduct this year which has resulted in zero behaviour points for them. We will shortly be celebrating the successes of our children this year with a virtual awards event. All pupils will receive a certificate celebrating their achievement points this year whilst others may have been selected for an additional award. We are always looking for more ways to celebrate success and will continue to add new categories to our celebration assembly from September.

Our reward event will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. As we are unable to run our House event, teachers have asked to have a party for their classes instead. This is a great opportunity to say goodbye to children and wish them all the very best of luck for next year. Teachers will be running this event and I know that plans include films, music and sports. Please note that pupils who have not met the criteria will spend the first part of the party out of the classroom.

A reminder that any lost property will be placed out on the year R, 1, 2, 3 and 4 decking towards the end of next week and the following Monday and Tuesday. Any items that are not collected will be donated to the pre-Loved shop or charities collecting clothing donations. If you have any items of pre-loved uniform that you would like to donate to our shop, please leave at reception in a bag clearly labelled "Uniform Shop donations".

I know that many of you are already thinking about next year and new school uniform. Please can I remind you of our standards around footwear. Shoes should be black, polishable and with no visible

logos or tags. They must not be trainers, canvas shoes, boots or rubber toed plimsoles. I would also ask parents not to send pupils in with expensive trainers for PE.

### **Head of Pre-school and Nursery.**

we are fast approaching the last two weeks in our academic Calendar before we break up for the summer. Unfortunately, even though the government are looking to remove certain restrictions this will not be in time for you to attend your children's graduation.

To support your Children and help them to develop key skills ready for Year R in September, Year R teachers and pre-school staff have put together Ten Top Tips for starting school.

- 1. I am independent - I can go to the toilet, wash my hands, and blow my nose all on my own. I can eat my packed lunch by myself, even undoing the wrappers! And I can put on my own coat and do it up;**
- 2. I can run, jump, climb and move around confidently;**
- 3. I can confidently communicate and make my needs known to other people;**
- 4. I can join in with activities and sing rhymes and songs;**
- 5. I can listen and take turns in a conversation;**
- 6. I can share books and talk about the pictures and storylines;**
- 7. I can draw and make marks with pencils, crayons and pens and use scissors safely;**
- 8. I can concentrate on something that interests me and carry out an activity;**
- 9. I can take turns and share with other people;**
- 10. I am excited, curious, and enthusiastic about learning in my new school!**

For more information [visit www.portsmouth.gov.uk/startschooltips](http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/startschooltips)





This Summer we have teamed up with Portsmouth City Council to offer free childcare and hot lunches during the school holidays.

To qualify, you must be eligible for free school meals (FSM) and have placed your booking at least 1 day in advance.

The aim of our course is for children to have a great time and make friends in a safe, structured but fun environment. We welcome Girls and boys from age 5 and above. Due to the current climate we have condensed our normal programme into one club of adapted activities.

**Activity Club Content**

Our Activity childcare club will still be based around fun multisport games and team building challenges. However, to ensure a safe operation we have planned adaptations to each session and any equipment we use.

- The Activity club can include a choice of:
- Football •Uni Hoc •Softball •Nerf Games •Go-Karts
  - Basketball •Dodgeball •Badminton •Tennis •RC Cars
  - Frisbee •Arts and Crafts •Benchball •Lego

**Times**

For safety reasons we have fixed the time of our holiday club from **8:30am to 3:30pm**. No early and late drop off option.

**Ways to book**

1. Online @ [cm-sports.co.uk](http://cm-sports.co.uk) (please follow the HAF scheme link)
2. Phone our friendly office on 02392 987 881

Please book online [cm-sports.co.uk/fsm](http://cm-sports.co.uk/fsm) where possible as our office phone will be operating with minimal staff during this time.

**Places are limited and secured on a first come first served basis.**

**What do I need to bring?**

We have fantastic indoor and outdoor facilities to best equip for the British weather, however please ensure that children bring with them suitable clothing, plenty to drink and sun cream. We will serve a two course hot lunch for all FSM children.

**Who will look after my child?**

Our coaches make it their mission for your child to have the best time whilst they are with us. They are enthusiastic, professional in their approach and have a passion for teaching.

Our coaches are:

- Qualified in Paediatric First Aid
- FA and multiskills qualified
- Hold DBS certificates
- Registered by Ofsted
- Child protection trained

# Free Summer Activities Mayfield School

Mayfield Road, Portsmouth PO2 0RH

Monday 26th July	Tuesday 27th July	Wednesday 28th July	Thursday 29th July	Friday 30th July
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 2nd August	Tuesday 3rd August	Wednesday 4th August	Thursday 5th August	Friday 6th August
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Monday 9th August	Tuesday 10th August	Wednesday 11th August	Thursday 12th August	Friday 13th August
✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Monday 16th August	Tuesday 17th August	Wednesday 18th August	Thursday 19th August	Friday 20th August
✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Monday 23rd August	Tuesday 24th August	Wednesday 25th August	Thursday 26th August	Friday 27th August
✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Monday 30th August	Tuesday 31st August	Wednesday 1st September	Thursday 2nd September	Friday 3rd September
✗	✓	✓	✓	✓

## Coronavirus update

As a childcare provider, we understand the importance of keeping all children, staff and families who visit our sites safe.

Our courses have been modified in line with government guidance.

These include:

- ADAPTED ACTIVITY PROGRAMME
- CHILDREN GROUPED IN SOCIAL BUBBLES
- STRINGENT HAND WASHING ROUTINES
- SOCIALLY DISTANCED DROP OFF POINTS
- FRESH AIR OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES
- STAGGERED LUNCHTIMES
- RISK ASSESSMENTS
- CORONAVIRUS PREVENTION AND CONTROL TRAINING

All clubs are Covid compliant (at the time of the course) We will issue a full refund if a change in the government rules subsequently cancels the course. Our booking system will cap bookings once the safe daily participation limit has been reached.

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