

# Mayfield Messenger

21<sup>st</sup> October 2022



Ready, Respectful, Resilience, Responsible, Resourceful, Reflective

Dear parents and carers,

## A message from Mr Howard

As I come to the end of my first half term as the headteacher of Mayfield, I want to reflect back on the beginning of the term to this point. I want to thank all of our children, the parents and carers and the staff for making me feel so welcome. The positive messages from parents and carers have been welcomed as has the feedback on how we can improve. The Mayfield community is great to be a part of and I am proud to be in the Mayfield family.

This week we have had many events which have celebrated the successes of our children. It was a pleasure meeting our primary parents and carers during parent's/carer's evening as well as seeing some of our older students perform to an audience as part of their BTEC. We definitely have talented students at Mayfield – guitarists, drummers, pianists and singers (and of course, not forgetting our music sound technicians!). A fantastic end to the half term. Thank you and well done to all involved in bringing these events and opportunities together.

I wish you all a safe, happy and restful half term break!

## Reminder about October Half Term Active Leaders Course for Years 9, 10 and 11

This is a reminder about the free event available to all young people of this age group (Year 9, 10, 11).

**Dates:** Monday 24 October - Thursday 27 October 2022

**Times:** 9.30am - 3 pm daily

**Venue:** Trafalgar School

**Hosts:** [Active Leaders](#)

**Age range:** School Years 9+

**Food:** Lunch included

Please contact [penny@activeleaders.co.uk](mailto:penny@activeleaders.co.uk) to sign up or find out more.



## Ooarrghh Year 2!!!

This week, all of year 2 enjoyed a Shanty workshop delivered by the Music Hub.

They learnt to sing sea shanty's and learnt all about where they came from and even came up with their own ideas for what sailors and fishermen might sing about on their boats.

Their ideas will be forwarded to a composer who is writing a new sea shanty song book for schools. Some of our year 2 ideas might make it into the new song book. Fingers crossed!





## Year 10 Parent's Evening Reminder

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November between 4 and 7pm

**It would be great to see as many of you as possible.**

### Early closing at the end of next term

We will be closing early on the final day of term, **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**.

**Senior section** pupils will **finish at 12.35pm** and the **Primary** section will close to all pupils at **12.45pm**. There will be **no** Extra-Curricular or Teatime Club on this day.

### School Reports!



Senior's reports will be posted home by Royal Mail and Primary reports will be sent home in bookbags. If parents/carers have not received their posting by the end of next week, can you please email [Patis@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:Patis@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk) so that we can check that your address and contact details are correct on SIMS.



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### Period 6 starts for Year 11 after half term

These will run from 15.00-16.00 and is a timetabled lesson that we expect pupils to attend, much like their normal timetable.

There will be an initial group of three sessions, and then the timetable will change for the second half of the term. Your child will have received a letter with their personalised timetable on it, please talk to them about this opportunity to support their revision and chance to deepen their learning in specific subjects.

If you have any questions about Period 6, please contact Mr Tite [tite@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:tite@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk) or Mrs Head [head@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:head@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

We have half-term revision opportunities running from 9am to 12.30pm as below:

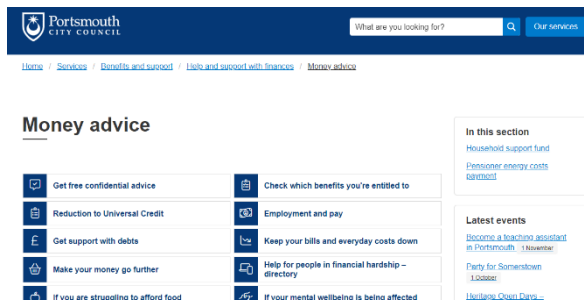
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Geography	107	Mrs Hughes	Paper 1 - Physical Geography
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Computing	141	Mr Godfrey	Paper 1 - Python
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	English	150	Miss Webb	General English and English Literature support
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Geography	107	Mrs Horton	Paper 2 - Urban issues and challenges

Certain pupils will be invited to the Geography sessions, but all sessions are open to any pupils to attend. We hope Year 11 will take advantage of this opportunity to revise key concepts before their mock examinations.

### Mindapples

As you will have seen from our social media posts, we have had an exciting week with the launch of our mental health and wellbeing Mindapples programme with senior staff and pupils.

We were very lucky to have the Mindapples team into film for their promotional video, it was really interesting to see how a professional film crew operate and some of our pupils were able to get involved in the filming too.



### Reduced government funding

In previous holidays, Portsmouth City Council has provided free school meal vouchers to cover the holiday periods. Unfortunately, the government funding for this initiative has now run out and there will not be any free school meal vouchers for the October half-term break.

The council is now looking at how they are able to use the remaining funding to help families in the most need. In the meantime, PCC have developed a section of their website about the cost of living crisis and how families can get help through this very challenging time. A link to this can be found here: [Money advice - Portsmouth City Council](#)



## This week's successes outside of Mayfield are;



Freddie took part in the Mini Great South Run, and raised £225 for Portsmouth Down Syndrome Association.



Aleks in Year 6 earned his first ever swimming medals this weekend - 3 bronzes in the following races in age 10 group - 50m in butterfly, 100m backstroke, 100m free style.

Kennedy and Mackenzie took part in the Mini South Run and Mackenzie came second in her race.



Scarlett-Rose in year 7 swims for Portsmouth Northsea and this weekend she swam her first 800 metres race which is 32 lengths. She beat the others by 3 minutes and got gold!



Arthur and Ivy both ran the mini Great South Run for their friend who has cerebral palsy. He is having an operation to help him walk and Ivy and Arthur raised money for his recovery rehabilitation!



Sophie from Y3 Ganges class participated in a dog show last weekend and was successful in the family dog category.



### 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)

Unfortunately, we will not be able to share all of these. However, we will use them to contribute to a beyond Mayfield display.

**We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday**

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