

# Mayfield Messenger

23rd February 2024



Ready, Respectful, Resilient, Responsible, Resourceful, Reflective

Dear parents and carers,

## A message from Mr Howard

Welcome back to the start of the Spring 2 term. I am looking forward to this half term with lots of exciting events for the pupils including the Year 4 residential to Minstead, a key stage 2 author visit by Sufiya Ahmed, a senior ski trip, primary discos, World Book Day and Year 7 'Our Back Garden' trips.

Already, to start, I have been incredibly impressed with the way Year 11 have approached their last set of mock exams before their GCSE exams in the Summer. The resilience and reflection during this week has been excellent and I know that this will continue into the next week too. With this attitude towards their studies, I am certain they will achieve well. This has been a great opportunity again for Year 11 pupils to experience the build up to exams and the exam conditions.

From the top end of the school to the beginning with Year R. It was a pleasure to see how the provision in year R has developed since September and the children were very excited to tell me about the broken chair and the eaten porridge. They have thoroughly enjoyed investigating who did it and have been looking for clues! I wonder who it could be?

I wish you all a great weekend!

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## Year 9 Parents' Evening Reminder

The online booking system will be open for you soon for you to book appointments with your child's teachers for the Year 9 Parents/carers evening on Thursday 21st March.

This is a face-to-face parents' evening from **4 till 7pm** and all teachers will be based in the Main Hall.

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THANK A SCHOOL  
**SUPERHERO**

**Thank a school superhero**

Tell us who has gone above and beyond at your school

**Calling all parents and carers! If someone at your school has gone above and beyond for your family, Teach Portsmouth are asking you to share a special thank you message.**



### Allergies

I would like to remind you that **we have children in our school with severe nut allergies.**

Please can you ensure that when you or your child are preparing a lunch, none of these foods are in your child's lunches. Thank you.

### SEND-sational Cinema Club

'Join us for a special relaxed sensory-friendly screening one Sunday morning each month'.



**Where?** Southsea Cinema room

**When?** Sunday 25 Feb 2024, 11:00 - 13:00

Please click the link below to find out more.

[Southsea Cinema \(savovsvstems.co.uk\)](http://Southsea Cinema (savovsvstems.co.uk))

## Zoom Sleep Course for Parents and Carers

"Sleep is as important for survival as food and water; yet most people know very little about this vitally important process. 80% of children with a special educational need or disability struggle to sleep." **There are 2 sessions.**

**Session 1:** How and Why we Sleep

**Session 2:** SEND and Sleep

Both sessions are 90 minutes long with time at the end for questions.

You will need to commit to attend both sessions

To book and for further information, please email: [ppvadmin@hsportsmouth.org.uk](mailto:ppvadmin@hsportsmouth.org.uk)

### Dates

Wednesdays 6th and 13th March 2024, 10am 12pm

Tuesdays 16th and 23rd April 2024, 7pm - 9pm

### Primary Lunches

If your child has an appointment in the morning, or, will not be in school until after 9:30am and they require a school dinner, please could you book this on SCOPAY or phone the school in the morning to order their lunch as the kitchen require numbers by 9:30am each morning. **Thank you for your support in this.**

### Apply for free school meals

It is not too late for parents to apply for free school meals and be eligible for these vouchers.

Parents and carers can apply through this link on the PCC website

[School meals - Portsmouth City Council](#)

The screenshot shows the Portsmouth City Council website. The header includes the council logo and navigation links. The main content area is titled 'School meals' and contains a section for 'Apply for free school meals online'. It includes a link to 'Apply online' and a brief description of the scheme. A sidebar on the right lists related links under the heading 'In this section'.

**INSET DAYS** - The remaining INSET days will be;

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024**



**The school will be closed for pupils on these days.**

**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.**



Congratulations to Claudia who has achieved 'Commended' on piano. This is the first time she participated in the Portsmouth Music Festival since she moved to the UK 1 and a half years ago. Well done Claudia. We know that you will keep this up and aim for an even higher grade by next year!

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