Mayfield Messenger

29th September 2023



Ready, Respectful, Resilient, Responsible, Resourceful, Reflective

Dear parents and carers,

A message from Mr Howard

At the beginning of the week, Year R families were invited to listen to the way in which their children learn the early stages of reading by developing a knowledge and understanding of letters and sounds (phonics). Parents and carers had the opportunity to see how the teachers teach phonics as well as collect some resources to support at home. I know that the children are very excited to take their first reading books home next week. As part of our quality assurance of the teaching of phonics, I was invited into some classes to see phonics in action. The children in year R demonstrated that they already knew many sounds and were growing in confidence to break the word up into sounds (segment) and then combining the sounds to read the word (blend). I am very impressed after week 4!

From our youngest children to nearly the oldest (Year 10). On Wednesday, 50 children from Year 10 went to Fratton Park where a careers event was held. The children got to talk to colleges about different courses and discuss apprenticeship opportunities. The feedback from the staff was positive and the pupils represented Mayfield school perfectly. Thank you to Mrs Munoz and the team of staff who supported this event.

I now look forward to seeing all of our Year 11 families on Thursday 5th October during the Year 11 Parents' and Carers' evening.

Have an amazing weekend.

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Congratulations to our Year 7 pupils

All houses came together to run the first house event. Last Friday, they celebrated the year 7 pupils. They enjoyed taking part in team game activities and competitions against the other houses.

All members of the house team are so proud of the positive start the pupils have made at Mayfield and look forward to the upcoming year.









We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our FOM meeting on Monday 2nd October at 6pm. For more information, contact:

fom@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk



Coffee Morning

Please join us for our Coffee Morning for parents/carers of children with SEND, Wednesday October 4th, 9-10am!

Portsmouth Parent Voices (PPV) will be present too and will be able to answer any questions, or just pop along and meet some fellow parents, friendly staff, and have a tea or coffee.

We'd love to see you there!





Arrangements for our annual Open Event, Wednesday 11th October

Our annual Open Event for admission into Year R, 3 or 7 for September 2024 is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 11th October between 5pm and 7pm. So that we have time to prepare the classrooms and site for our visitors, we will be running a slightly shorter day:

- The <u>Senior Section</u> will <u>close</u> to <u>pupils</u> at <u>1.15pm</u>. Pupils who are entitled to a free school meal will receive this at the morning break time
- The Primary Section will close to pupils at 3.30pm.
- There will be no Extra-Curricular or Teatime Club on this day

*All current primary parents and carers welcome

In addition to this, we would like to invite all of our current Year R to Year 6 families to show them the children's classrooms, opportunity to meet the teachers and to see what goes on in primary. This will also be between 5pm to 7pm.



Flu Vaccine for Primary and Secondary Wednesday 1st November 2023

visit https://links.inhealthcare.co.uk/solent-portsmouth-flu to complete the consent form now.

You will need access to your emails to complete this.

School/LEA code: 116463

If you have any concerns, please email Mayfield School Welfare Assistants

Mrs Rowntree and Ms Bradshaw on





School Aged Immunisation Service

medical@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk

This week's successes outside of Mayfield are;



Well done to Teddy in Year R who has achieved his Level 1 Swimming Award.

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

We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday

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