

# Mayfield Messenger

2nd December 2022



Ready, Respectful, Resilience, Responsible, Resourceful, Reflective

Dear parents and carers,

## A message from Mr Howard

It has been an exciting week this week with senior pupils performing in the Addams family and primary pupils participating in a Dance-a-thon. Events such as these demonstrate the importance of creating communities that share common values, beliefs and a sense of belonging.

These events also showed how each person has unique skills and talents and that when they are brought together to work towards a common goal, it enables the group and team (our school community) to be stronger and more resilient. During the rehearsals and performances of the Addams family, the team of adults and pupils worked together to create something special – not just the final performance itself but the way in which different age groups came together recognising each other's strengths, supporting one another, and celebrating their achievements. This 'family' was further strengthened by our primary pupils wanting to watch the show with their parents/carers after seeing part of the show earlier in the week. A great, 'We are in this together', spirit.

Have a brilliant weekend!

## Medication for primary

If your child/ren require medication during the school day, please could parents and carers bring this into school reception as a consent form must be completed before handing medication over. Children should not be bringing this in by themselves. Thank you for your support with this.



## Early closing at the end of next term

We will be closing early on the final day of term, **Friday 16<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.

EARLY  
CLOSURE  
NOTICE

## Annual nasal flu vaccination in schools

### Primary children

Unfortunately, the nasal flue vaccination for primary pupils had to be postponed. This will now take place on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022.**



## Food voucher for families

This winter Portsmouth City Council (PCC) has come to provide a food voucher to all families of children, in through to year 11, eligible for benefits-related free meals (FSM). Each eligible child will receive a £70 supermarket voucher to cover the winter term.

We will be processing these vouchers in the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> December. The vouchers will be emailed to parents and families from the Edenred portal. If you prefer to have a postal voucher, please email [general@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:general@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

These are scheduled to be emailed or posted out on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December



## Extra-Curricular

Booking for **extra-curricular clubs opens at 6pm** on;

**Year R** - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December

**Year 1 & 2** - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**Year 3 & 4** - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December

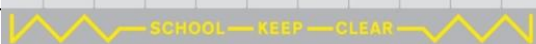
**Year 5 & 6** - Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**Year 7 & 8** - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December



**Bookings close at 6pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December.** We will not be able to accept **any** bookings after this time. If you are having issues with the booking system, please contact [backhoused@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:backhoused@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk) before booking opens.

Please note that there are currently several pupils who are booked on to clubs this half term and not attending. Please do not book clubs that you will not need as this prevents children who do need these clubs from being able to book on. We only have a limited number of spaces and cannot book more than the allocated number of spaces. Whilst the majority of our pupils enjoy clubs and are fully engaged, we would also like to remind you that we use the same behaviour system for extra-curricular as during lesson time, and this will be recorded on class charts. If a pupil is displaying persistently poor behaviour in clubs, the privilege of attending clubs may be withdrawn for the remainder of the half term.



### Zig Zag lines and drop curbs

To keep everyone safe, these are a no stopping zone between 8am and 5pm and parents should not pull in to drop their children off on these markings.

Parking enforcement officers from Portsmouth City Council are making regular visits to the school and will be issuing on the spot fines.

### Carols Around the Tree

On **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 5.00-6.00pm** we will be having carols round the Christmas tree; we are very lucky to have the Salvation Army Band coming to accompany the carols.

They will be collecting food bank donations on the evening so please bring them with you on the evening.



### **Christmas Jumper Day**

Christmas Jumper Day is on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December**.

Remember, we asked for donations of Christmas jumpers to Friends of Mayfield uniform shop so that these will be available to buy or swap.



### **Christmas Fayre**

On **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022** from **3pm-6pm**

Stalls, games, food and **meet Father Christmas** as well as lots more fun for the family

**PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A CASH ONLY EVENT**



**Teach Portsmouth Awards 2023**

It is that time of year again when Teach Portsmouth introduce the start of the nominations for the Teach Portsmouth 'The people's choice award'. This year's nominations are now open where you can nominate a member of staff from Mayfield for this award.

To nominate a member of staff from Mayfield click on the link below and complete the online form and submit your nomination. Nominations for the people's choice award close on **22 December 2022**.

[Teach Portsmouth Awards Peoples Choice - Teach Portsmouth](#)

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

Jocelyn in Year 3 was placed 1st in her slow solo dance. We are super proud of her! She has worked so hard.

Skyla in Year 7 represented her dance School Abstract at the national entertainment awards on Sunday 27th November, for the 2nd year running.

Zoey in Year 2 achieved her level 2 gymnastics 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](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**