

Mayfield Messenger

3rd March 2023



Ready, Respectful, Resilient, Responsible, Resourceful, Reflective

Dear parents and carers,

A message from Mr Howard

It has been an incredibly eventful week this week which was concluded with the eventful World Book Day. This saw all of the staff dress as characters from their favourite or well-known texts. The children in primary also enjoyed dressing up as characters from texts.

The last class of Year 4 pupils returned from the Minstead residential and the Year 11 pupils had a great time on the History trip. This was all happening whilst Year 11 completed their mock exams.

We have been visited by a number of people who have attended for interviews, delivered training or had meetings. Two of our visitors commented that;

'It was lovely to see the purposeful atmosphere in lessons which we appreciate is underpinned by the building and establishing of good relationships with every child by your teachers and support staff. There are increased challenges across all Portsmouth schools post-pandemic, as anxiety levels have risen and learning habits have been so disrupted, but it was wonderful to see your staff working calmly and collegiately together to support the inclusion of all learners by patiently providing additional support to help them to develop positive learning behaviours in school. Every student we met was polite and respectful, demonstrating pride in themselves and their school. We very much enjoyed our time at Mayfield School, thank you!'

Next week, I look forward to sharing some of our World Book Day photographs. Have a great weekend.

Resilience and Patience in Year 9



After last week's soup pictures, Mrs Rogers kindly shared these of a year 9 taster lesson on sewing skills. She was particularly impressed with their resilience and patience.

Parents Evenings

The Parents Evening booking system is now open for:

- **Year 9 Parents and Options Evening** on Thursday 23rd March
- **Year 11 Parents Evening** on Thursday 30th March

You can book your appointments through

[SchoolCloud - Mayfield School](#)

HPV vaccination

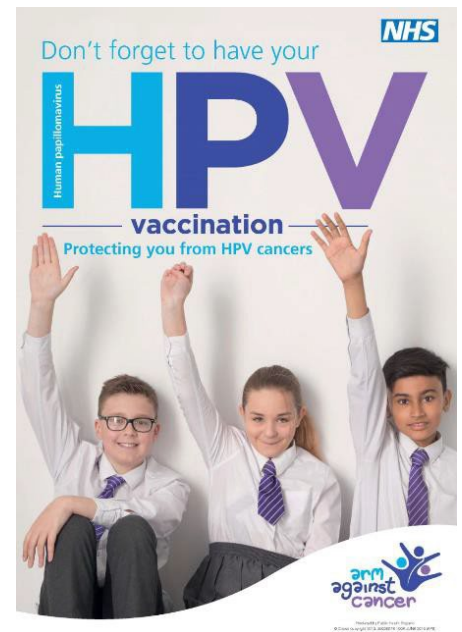
The Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination session is for all Year 9 pupils. This will be on 21 March 2023. The consent form must be completed by 19 March 2023 for your child to have the vaccine at the school session.

Although the vaccination sessions take place in school during the school day, there are also community clinic sessions available after school and on selected weekends.

The link below is for the HPV leaflet which will provide you with further information about the virus and the vaccination:

<http://bit.ly/3B2GSK5>

The letter with the full details is attached to the Mayfield Messenger.



Update on dates for the Friends of Mayfield Discos 2023.



Friday 10th March – Year R 3.30-4.30pm ~ Year 1&2 4.30-5.30pm

Tickets on sale Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th March 3.30 & 4.30pm

Thursday 18th May – Year 3 4.30-5.30pm ~ Year 4 5.45-6.45pm

Tickets on sale Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th May 3.30 & 4.30pm

Thursday 22nd June – Year 5 4.30-5.30pm ~ Year 6 5.45-6.45pm

Tickets on sale Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th June 3.30 & 4.30pm

The full details and dates are attached to the Mayfield Messenger.

Friends of Mayfield Quiz Night is Back!

Join us for a fun evening of Quiz questions hosted by our own Mr Howard. What better way to catch up with friends?

Everyone welcome, parents, teachers and the wider community.

Get your team together, maximum of 8, bring a bottle or two and your favourite nibbles.

Join us for a night of fun on **Friday 17th March**, cash prize to be won!

Doors open at 6.30pm held in **Mayfield school main hall at 7pm**,

£3 per person upon entrance, cash only, no need to buy tickets in advance.



Book Face Quiz! Who is hiding behind the book?

- There are 15 people who are hiding behind the book.
- Can you guess who they are?

Free tickets

Free tickets to watch an Inter Service Football match at Fratton Park

Please see below.

On Wednesday, the History department took 12 students to the Hanger Farm Arts center in Southampton for a GCSE revision workshop. They were treated to an excellent play on the Inquisition of Queen Elizabeth I, which imagined a successful Spanish Armada capturing Elizabeth and interrogating her on key events of her reign.

Each scene was supported by an interactive exam busting workshop. Above all it was a lovely way to revise and shows that not all revision has to be classroom based!

Thank you to School History Scene for organising such an entertaining and professional play, Hanger Farm Arts Center for a great venue, the students for their respectful and responsible behaviour and Mr Flores and Mr Macey for their time and support, enabling this trip to happen. They are already looking ahead to next year. A big thank you to Mrs Rich for organising the trip.



Admission Free
Tickets can be obtained via
www.eventbrite.co.uk
(# Inter Service Football)

Wednesday 15th March
KO 1900
Fratton Park



Teams will be playing
for the
CASSAR CUP



Mental Health Support Team (MHST) parent workshop

Our Parent Workshop for Anxiety ran on Tuesday and was well-attended. Mrs Howard and a group of parents met with Jane Steggall, our Mental Health Support Team (MHST) link worker, and Jane delivered a presentation about anxiety in children - how it presents, what we can do to help and things to try and avoid.

Parents and carers felt comfortable to share their own experiences and hopefully went away feeling that none of us are alone as parents and carers - it's a tough job for us all - and that there is support available in school if we need it. Details were given regarding who to contact in school should you have concerns about your child, so if you feel that yourself or your child might need a bit of extra help, then please don't hesitate to get in contact:

- howard-verity@portsmouth.mayfield.sch.uk (SEND teacher & MHST lead co-ordinator)
- anderse@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk (SEND CO)
- brawn-amy@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk (primary, assistant SEND CO)
- webb@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk (seniors, assistant SEND CO)
- catlin-lindsey@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk (seniors/year 6 transition, assistant SEND CO)

We hope for MHST to deliver further workshops later in the year - wherever possible, we do try to rotate what times these are held, so that as many people as possible are able to attend.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM

Background

Following government reviews on Children's Mental Health and Mental Health Services, a need for a collaborative approach was identified to tackle early signs of mental health issues. This aims to put schools and colleges in the heart of early intervention by developing and building on whole school approaches to mental health in the hope to prevent mental health difficulties from escalating. This is where the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) comes in.

Solent 
 NHS Trust



This week's successes outside of Mayfield are;

Matilda in Year 4 was awarded her Brownie Bronze award. She is really proud of herself and striving to get the silver next!



Danube class had an amazing time at Minstead this week. They rose to all of the challenges of their first residential trip and did themselves and the school proud.



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

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

Small changes,
big differences.



Triple P Discussion Groups

For School-Aged Children

Learn how to set boundaries and create routines that work for your family.
All sessions will offer basic strategies and ideas for anyone who wants to help their child
to be the best they can be.

Managing Fighting & Aggression

Wednesday 1st March , 10:00am-12:30pm

Somerstown Family Hub, Omega St, Southsea, PO5 4LP
T: 023 9282 1816

Coping with Teen Emotions

Tuesday 14th March , 10:00am– 12:30pm

Milton Park Family Hub, Perth Road, Southsea, PO4 8EU
T: 023 9282 7392

Getting Your Children to Cooperate

Thursday 23rd March , 10:00am– 12:30pm

Somerstown Family Hub, Omega St, Southsea, PO5 4LP
T: 023 9282 1816

Reducing Family conflict

Thursday 23rd March , 10:00am– 12:30pm

Paulsgrove Family Hub, Cheltenham Road, Paulsgrove, Portsmouth, PO6 3PL
T: 023 9238 5995

Dealing with Disobedience

Wednesday 29th March , 6:00pm– 8:30pm

Buckland Family Hub, Turner Road, Buckland, PO1 4PN
T: 023 9273 3440

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE, PLEASE CALL THE RELEVANT FAMILY HUB

