Art/ Photography:

As part of the talented team in Art/ Photography pupils will be invited to participate in Art club, competitions and the Arts Council throughout the year. These events will bring together creative students that are focused on celebrating their talents and sharing their projects and skills to develop themselves further.

Business:

As part of the talented program in Business pupils will be invited to participate in a selection of competitions and workshops throughout the year including, Faith in Football, which allows students to set up their own business and link with local community. Workshops which focus on making students financially aware and links/trips to colleges and university to secure foundation Business studies skills. Alongside this foster a natural curiosity for the subject and to be involved in conversations which draw upon political business ideas in our ever change economy.

ICT & Computing:

As part of the talented program in ICT & Computing, pupils will be invited to participate in a selection of events and competitions throughout the year including; Lego Club which aims to improve independent problem solving. Competition such as Bebras, which allows students chance to showcase their ideas or solutions to different problems and links with college and university to secure foundation skills. These opportunities are available for all years at Mayfield. Alongside this foster a natural curiosity for the subject and to be involved in conversations which draw upon the wide picture from the news and topical subjects and apply them to every learning in the lesson.

Dance:

Talented Dance pupils will be supported in curriculum time to reach their full potential and a given chance to shine in their area of expertise, this may be in the form of modelling skills to the class or directing/choreographing other pupils. Pupils will also be invited to take part in our extra-curricular clubs and events. They will be considered for roles in the dance company, school shows and the performing arts committee. Our talented pupils are often successful in achieving roles as Dance captains and Rock Challenge committee in year 11. We also endeavour to offer workshops and trips for our talented pupils to enable them to experience Dance in as many ways possible.

Drama:

Talented Drama pupils will be supported in curriculum time to reach their full potential and a given chance to shine in their area of expertise, this may be in the form of modelling skills to the class or directing/choreographing other pupils. Pupils will also be invited to take part in our extra-curricular clubs and events. They will be considered for roles in the school shows and the performing arts committee. Our talented pupils are often successful in achieving roles as Drama and Rock Challenge committee in year 11. We also endeavour to offer workshops and trips for our talented pupils to enable them to experience Drama in as many ways possible

Talented Drama and Dance pupils will be supported in curriculum time to reach their full potential and a given chance to shine in their area of expertise, this may be in the form of modelling skills to the class or directing/choreographing other pupils. Pupils will also be invited to take part in our extracurricular clubs and events. They will be considered for roles in the dance company, school shows and the performing arts committee. Our talented pupils are often successful in achieving roles as Drama or Dance captains and Rock Challenge committee in year 11. We also endeavour to offer workshops and trips for our talented pupils to enable them to experience Drama and Dance in as many ways possible.

English:

If your child has been identified as able/talented there are a number of ways we can support them in English, including: through a varied curriculum with appropriate challenge and teaching; through opportunities for independent homework/PREP; extended reading and reading lists linked at KS3 to the Accelerated Reader Programme; enrichment opportunities, such as external programmes (creative writing with University of Portsmouth students), author visits and workshops, extra-curricular club for writing, various cross curricular events and a constant stream of creative writing and poetry competitions.

Geography:

Pupils will be monitored for their progress in lessons and at key assessment times. In lessons there will be opportunities to stretch and challenge the pupils enabling them to apply their understanding of geographical processes to a range of places and scales. They will also be supported, when necessary, with additional interventions to enable them to access the top grades in formal examinations. For example, a P6 aimed at achieving Grade 8/9 at GCSE. Pupils will have the opportunity to compete in the Worldwide Local Quiz against other schools in Portsmouth, including all of the public schools.

There will be opportunities for additional fieldtrips and excursions to deepen their geographical understanding and see links to career opportunities and wider applications of geography.

History:

There are various opportunities for talented pupils to get involved with including this year a WWI memorial survey, trips abroad (Belgium 2019) and local trips such as Stansted House. In Year 11 we offer special revision sessions for pupils aiming for the highest grades. We also encourage students to undertake wider reading and research to broaden their knowledge on different historical events and people.

MfL:

In both Spanish and French, talented pupils are encouraged to develop an independent interest in materials available in Spanish and/or French. These materials could be songs found in the foreign language, films and television programmes and news articles. Talented pupils are also encouraged to apply their foreign languages by communicating with pupils of partner schools in the Spanish and French speaking world. The MFL department aims to ensure talented pupils are able to visit a Spanish and/or French speaking country at least once whilst at Mayfield. Residential visits always allow for pupils to soak up the culture, explore new countries and use their foreign language.

Music:

"As part of the talented program in Music students will be invited to have lessons learning a musical instrument. They are also able to participate in the School Production. In addition, they will be invited to perform in several Music events for the Portsmouth Schools Music festival and other concert opportunities as they arise. Also, they are able to perform in assemblies and performances in the school. These are all designed to embed the skills required to be a successful and fully rounded musician".

PE:

As a talented sports star at Mayfield, your child will have the opportunity to develop their practical skills in lessons and after school clubs. We actively encourage talented students to help coach other students and improve their understanding through officiating where appropriate.

Science:

As part of the talented program in Science, pupils will be invited to participate in a selection of events and competitions throughout the year including Go4Set, GCSE science live, and further work with local universities.

There is also the opportunity to extend pupils learning in year 7 and 8 with our STEM club. Within Science lessons, pupils will be regularly challenged to help extend their knowledge and understanding of Science in the world around us.

Technology:

As part of the talented team in Technology students are invited to help out in Technology clubs run for the younger years. Students are invited to take part in competitions run during the year to show off their skills and compete against the other houses.