

11TH SEPTEMBER 2026



MAYFIELD MESSENGER

A message from Mr Howard

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we settle into the new academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our pupils, staff, families and wider community for the positive start we have made across both our primary and secondary phases.

It has been wonderful to see our school full of energy, enthusiasm and purpose, and pupils embracing the opportunities that the new year brings. From our youngest children beginning their educational journey to our oldest students preparing for examinations and future pathways, there is an increased sense of ambition and determination across our community. I have been particularly impressed by the way pupils have returned with such a positive mindset. Staff have ensured pupils have settled quickly into routines.

In our primary phase, it has been great to see our children demonstrating curiosity, confidence and enthusiasm in their learning. Pupils have embraced new topics, formed positive relationships and shown great resilience and independence as they begin another successful year. This week's external validation provided the assurances that we have made significant progress and that we are focussed on the right areas.

In our secondary phase, students have made an excellent start to their studies. Lessons have been highly focused, expectations have been high and students have shown maturity and commitment in their approach to learning. We are particularly pleased with the way our Year 7 students transitioned to a new school environment.

I am looking forward to our new to Year 7 2026/27 school tours and primary and secondary open evenings. Thank you for your continued support. By working together and remaining true to our values of Ambition, Inclusion and Respect, I am confident that this will be a successful year filled with achievement, success and opportunities for all.

Have a great weekend!

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Getting To Know You!

This morning, we welcomed our first group of Year 7 students to our Getting To Know You event during tutor time, and it was a great success!

The session provided a wonderful opportunity for pupils to get to know one another better within their House while building new friendships and developing teamwork skills. Students took part in a range of fun activities, including the popular "The Floor is Lava" challenge, which encouraged everyone to work together, communicate, and support one another.

It was fantastic to see so much enthusiasm, collaboration, and House spirit on display. We look forward to welcoming the remaining Houses to their Getting To Know You events next week and creating even more opportunities for our Year 7 students to connect and thrive.



EVENTS COMING UP...



Photography Days

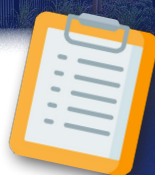
THURSDAY 24TH AND FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

It's nearly time for our annual school photographs! Pupils will have the opportunity to have their individual school photo taken, so please ensure they arrive in full school uniform and ready to

SEND Review Afternoon

**WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER
3:30 - 4:45PM**

If you have a child with special educational needs or have concerns that they may have, then please do book a slot to see one of our specialist staff to review their Connection Plan, raise concerns, or seek support. We're very pleased to say that local group, Portsmouth Parent Voices, will also be on hand to speak and give support. Email lphillimore.mayfield@salterns.org to book your space.



Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime Trip

**WEDNESDAY 16TH DECEMBER
From 1PM**

Calling all Year 7 pupils! We're delighted to be offering students the opportunity to enjoy a magical trip to see Jack and the Beanstalk at the Kings Theatre, Portsmouth. Payments are to be made in instalments using the following schedule:

30th September - £6.90
31st October - £5.00
23rd November - £5.00

To pay and secure your place, please use SCOPAY, either from the app or by logging in through the link on our website.



Year 7 Cohort 2027/28 Open Evening

**TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER
5 - 7:30PM**

Calling all future Year 7 families! Join us at our Secondary Open Evening to meet students and staff, explore our facilities, and discover what makes our school special.

Preparing For Year 11 Information Evening

**MONDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER
5 - 6:30PM**

We are hosting an Information Evening for Year 11 parents for help with your child's revision. This is taking place Monday 28th September from 5 - 6.30PM. Learn everything you need to know; how to revise, subject revision, online learning and so much more! Families are welcome to hear about revision strategies, collect information and ask questions about exams. Book your place using the form from the link in our bio, or by typing in the link below:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/iJEBUA6g6F>

If you have any queries or issues, please email General.Mayfield@salterns.org.



Year R Cohort 2027/28 Open Evening

**THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
5 - 6PM**

Join us to explore Mayfield School, meet our staff, and discover how we support every child to Believe, Achieve and Succeed. We look forward to welcoming you and your family.

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@salterns.org

We look forward to seeing you all again next week. Have a lovely weekend!

