

12th June 2026

# Mayfield Messenger

## A message from Mr Howard

Dear families,

At the end of last week, we were delighted to be invited to select three students to represent our school at the D-Day 2026 commemorations in Caen, France. This was a very special opportunity and a wonderful example of ambition, with our students stepping forward to take part in an important international event.

During their visit, the students worked alongside French pupils and played an active role in the official ceremony, including singing in a joint choir and delivering a reading in French. They showed great respect for the significance of the occasion, as well as for each other and the wider community they worked with.

With all travel fully funded, this was also a truly inclusive experience, ensuring that students could take part regardless of background. It has helped them to grow in confidence, develop their language skills and deepen their understanding of other cultures. We are incredibly proud of how they represented our school. Thank you to Miss Painter for supporting the students over the two days.

On Thursday, we were pleased to welcome our governors into school to observe a 'galleried lesson'. This is where we share strong classroom practice and learn from each other, reinforcing our commitment to ambition in teaching and learning. The lesson demonstrated how structured group work can support all students to take part and succeed, reflecting our value of inclusion. Staff then took part in thoughtful discussions, sharing ideas in a supportive and respectful way, helping each other to continue to improve their practice.

Governors spoke highly of what they saw, commenting on the quality of teaching and the openness of the discussions. Thank you to everyone involved for making the morning such a success. I look forward to sharing further updates in our school improvement journey.

Have a great weekend

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## Remembering, Reflecting, Connecting

Students from Salterns Trust Academy proudly represented Portsmouth at the D-Day commemorations in Caen, France on 5-6 June 2026.

During a moving ceremony attended by veterans and dignitaries, they honoured those who served in the Second World War, strengthening the historic bond between Portsmouth and its twin city. Their performances, including God Save the King, La Marseillaise and O Valiant Heart, showed outstanding professionalism and respect.

A particularly poignant moment was a bilingual recitation of Pourquoi ?, uniting French and British students in remembrance. Students also met the Lord Mayor of Portsmouth and the Mayor of Caen, celebrating international friendship and cultural exchange. This unforgettable experience showcased the value of language learning, collaboration and global citizenship.



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**THURS 18 JUNE**  
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BORN 2018-2022

**THURS 18 JUNE**  
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**SAT 20 JUNE**  
13:00-15:00  
TRAVEL TEAM CALLBACKS



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### Amazing Achievement, Ivy!

A huge congratulations to Ivy for winning Player of the Season for the Rugby Under 8s mixed team! She was also nominated for the All Girls Award, recognising her as one of the club's top players. Ivy dreams of becoming a Red Rose one day, just like Ellie Kildunne.

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