

19th September 2025



Mayfield Messenger

A message from Mr Howard

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a privilege to welcome prospective Year 7 students and their families to our school over the past week. During the tours, I have shared our journey so far, visited classes, and answered many questions. The enthusiasm and interest shown by our visitors has been well received.

I am very much looking forward to meeting more families during next week's tours and at our Open Evening on Thursday, 7th October 2025. These opportunities are a wonderful way to showcase the vibrant learning environment and supportive community we foster here.

This year, the development in teaching and learning, along with thoughtful curriculum adaptations, has supported a purposeful and engaging start to the academic year. Our school values of Ambition, Inclusion, and Respect are clearly reflected in the positive attitudes and behaviour of our students across the school.

Thank you to everyone who has been involved in making these tours a success. We can't wait to continue sharing our school community with even more prospective families soon!

I wish you all an amazing weekend.

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Helping Year 11s Take the Next Step

Last week, we welcomed Brian Wilkie, MBE, back to Mayfield for a special assembly to launch this year's Wilkie Scholarship to our Year 11s, along with 5 special guests from Portsmouth Grammar School, including 3 Scholars from his programme that initially attended our very school!

The Scholarship was founded by Mr. Wilkie in 2012, to enable at least two Year 11 Mayfield pupils to take up fully funded places in the sixth form of The Portsmouth Grammar School. To date, more than 20 former pupils have benefited from this huge opportunity – many of whom have secured places at some of the best universities in the country.

Thinking about Secondary Schools for 2026/27?



If so, come and see what we have to offer! We will be hosting tours of Mayfield School with our headteacher, Mr Howard, on the following dates:

- Monday 22nd September
- Tuesday 23rd September
- Friday 26th September

Tours will be available at 09:30 - 10:15 and 10:15 - 11:00.

If you are interested and wish to book a tour with us, please email general.mayfield@salterns.org.

Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening



We hope all of our Year 7s had a great start to the new academic year here at Mayfield! We are hosting the Senior Meet the Tutor Evening, allowing parents and carers to discuss how their child/ren has settled into their first few weeks and to answer any questions you may have. We would like to invite all our Year 7 parents and carers to come along and meet your child's tutor on Thursday 25th September at 5 - 6PM.

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and connect with your child's tutor and get answers to any questions that you may have.

If you have any queries, please email general.mayfield@salterns.org.

Secondary Extra-Curricular Activities are here!



Our Secondary Extra-Curricular activities are now live and all clubs will be officially starting from next week. If your child is interested in joining any clubs, take a look at our social media post at the wide variety of options we have available for you.



Congratulations Jocelyn!

Jocelyn has recently auditioned for Matilda with Talent Theatre Productions' Matilda Jr: The Musical. She believed, achieved and then succeeded in earning and playing the lead role of Matilda at The Berry Theatre in February! What a fantastic achievement, Jocelyn - well done!

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Help Primary Transform Lunchtimes Through Play!



We're making big moves to make lunchtimes more fun, creative, and inspiring for our Primary children — and we need YOUR help!

We're on the lookout for 'loose parts' – everyday items that spark imagination and endless play possibilities. Instead of throwing things out, why not give them a second life at school?

We're looking for donations of:

- Dressing Up Fun – hats, scarves, jazzy shirts, old costumes
- Construction Materials – tyres, pallets, cable drums, guttering, crates
- Household Bits & Bobs – pots, pans, wooden spoons, baking trays
- Toys & Imaginative Play – Lego, toy cars, dinosaurs, farm animals, action figures
- Pre-loved Coats & Wellies – all sizes welcome for all-weather play!
- Other Exciting Things – traffic cones, pool noodles, old road signs, old prams, vacuum cleaners

Drop-off Point: Main Reception – just let them know it's for Primary Play. Larger items? Email cainsworth.mayfield@salterns.org

Your donations will help us create amazing, open-ended play experiences where children can explore, build, imagine, and thrive. THANK YOU for being part of this exciting journey!



Well done Minnie!

Over the weekend, Minnie took on the Hampshire Levels Championship and absolutely nailed it — competing across vault, bars, beam, and floor, she dazzled the judges and walked away with 2 golds, 2 silvers, and 1st place overall!

But she didn't stop there—after a second round of tough competition, Minnie clinched 1st place across all age groups in the Copper category!

Next stop: Regional Finals this November! We couldn't be prouder of this incredible achievement. Go Minnie!

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!



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SECONDARY OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 7th October 2025
17:00 - 19:30



We look forward to welcoming you to this year's Secondary Open Evening! Meet our students, explore our various facilities and departments, chat to our Leadership Team and learn about the curriculum we provide.

To find out more, visit
mayfieldschool.portsmouth.sch.uk