

24th April 2026

# Mayfield Messenger

## A message from Mr Howard

Dear families,

This week, we were honoured to welcome Mayor Akitsu Kamada from Maizuru, Japan, to Portsmouth as part of the Portsmouth 100 commemorations taking place in April.

During his visit, the Mayor was particularly keen to spend time at Mayfield School, a visit thoughtfully coordinated by Miss Painter. The event was a wonderful celebration of inclusion, giving our children the chance to connect with someone from a different culture and learn about life in another part of the world. Our younger pupils in Primary were especially excited, many proudly showing their respect by greeting the Mayor politely and even asking for his autograph.

The Mayor thoroughly enjoyed his tour and was fascinated to learn about both the similarities and differences within our education systems. His positive reflections were a real credit to our staff and children, who demonstrated our values throughout the visit. A huge thank you to Miss Painter for her hard work in making this memorable experience possible.

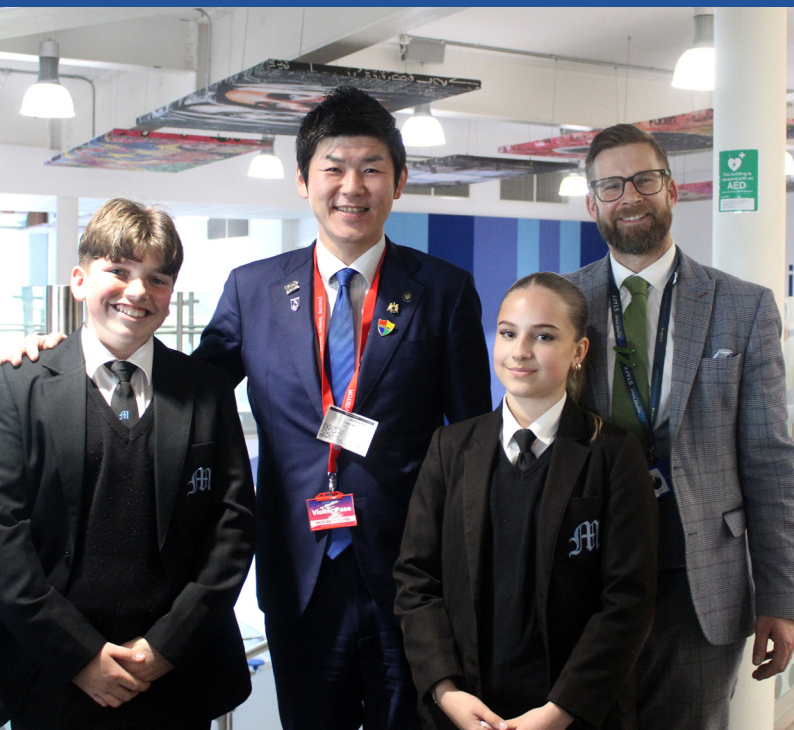
Our Year 1 pupils also had an exciting week with their trip to Harold Hillier Gardens. They showed wonderful curiosity and ambition in their learning, and the feedback from staff and volunteers was exceptional. The children represented Mayfield brilliantly, showing respect for the environment and for each other throughout the day.

Meanwhile, our Fine Art students have been undertaking their two-day GCSE exam, working diligently on their final pieces. Their focus, creativity and determination were clear to see. They embodied ambition in the way they challenged themselves artistically, and their mature attitude was a real credit to the school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support in helping us uphold our values of Ambition, Inclusion and Respect in everything we do.

Have a great weekend.

#Believe. Achieve. Succeed. #TeamMayfield



### Mayor of Maizuru, Japan visits Mayfield!

We once again welcomed a special guest from our sister city of Maizuru, Japan this week. The mayor of Maizuru came to have a tour of the school and delighted in meeting the Year 6 pupils that sent their works of art across the globe and some learning in action around the senior school. He is keen for us to continue growing our inter-continental relationship for many years to come.



### Fantastic work, Primrose!

Well done to Primrose in Year 6, who performed at the Kings Theatre in the Chitty Chitty Bang Bang production, playing the part of Jemima Potts last week and the week before. She done a fantastic job and enjoyed flying in the magic car. What an amazing achievement, Primrose!



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### Exploring Libraries through Books!

We are receiving exciting book bundles from the Portsmouth School Library Service. These often include books about books! This term's bundle includes a book about Andrew Carnegie, who used some of his great wealth to build libraries around the world, including in Fratton, where you will find the Carnegie Library. Students can pop into our Wilkie Library, where they will find the latest books.

### 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!

## MUSLIMAH HEARTS

**Fun football session for Muslim girls – 5 to 13 yrs olds  
Led by female coaches**

TIME AND DATE:	Saturdays, 10:15 am – 11:15 am
LOCATION:	Portsmouth Grammar School, PO1 2LN
PRICE:	£6 per session – Initial 2 sessions free!
VISIT:	<a href="http://www.englandfootball.com/play/youth-football/" style="color: white;">www.englandfootball.com/play/youth-football/</a>

SCAN ME TO BOOK 10-13 GIRLS:

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## GIRLS' FOOTBALL