

25th April 2025

# Mayfield Messenger

## A message from Mr Howard

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a fantastic and restful two weeks. It's been a great start to the summer term, kicking off with our Secondary Dance Live team performing in the finals on Tuesday. The standard was incredibly high, and while we didn't place, our students delivered an outstanding performance, showcasing the amazing talent within our school.

On Thursday, it was our Primary pupils' turn to take the stage in their finals. Once again, while we didn't come away with a placement, the children gave it their all and showed real progress from their performance in the heats. Events like these are wonderful opportunities for our pupils to embody our school values of Ambition, Inclusion, and Respect (AIR).

A huge thank you to all the staff who supported and prepared the children for the dance finals. Your dedication and hard work helped make these events memorable experiences for our pupils and for the families who came along to cheer them on. This week, we also welcomed our new Year 7 2025/26 cohort—both children and their families—into our school community. It was a pleasure to introduce our leaders, share their roles, and reflect on the incredible journey Mayfield has been on. The turnout was fantastic, and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive. We're really looking forward to the upcoming transition events, helping our new families feel part of the Mayfield community from the very beginning.

We also had an external review (conducted by Mr David Bartram) of our SEND provision across the school, which included a range of activities across both the primary and secondary phases. This involved speaking with staff and students, conducting learning walks, and reviewing outcomes. While we await the final report, the initial feedback was very positive, recognising the significant progress we've made in this vital area.

What a positive start to our new term! I wish you all a great weekend.

#Believe. Achieve. Succeed. #TeamMayfield



## Teach Portsmouth People's Choice Award

Congratulations to our staff who were nominated for the People's Choice Award. As nominees for the people's choice award, staff were invited to a celebration event on Thursday 24 April from 4pm - 5:30pm. The event was hosted by the Lord Mayor of Portsmouth, Councillor Jason Fazackarley, and included afternoon tea followed by a certificate presentation. Huge congratulations to our staff who were nominated for this award - Mrs Mudada, Mrs Munoz, Mrs Fry, Mrs Shanley, Mrs Jennesson, Mrs Taylor, Mr Hill and Mr Sharkey.

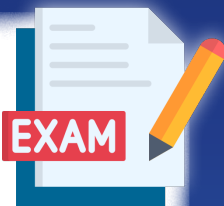


### Mr Morris' Demo Cooking Session

Before the half-term, we had Mr Morris from Trafalgar School come into our school and do a demo of deboning a chicken. All our Year 10 students took to the challenge really well, Mr Morris even made an amazing stock out of the leftovers with veg and potatoes while the students cooked their chicken breast, wings and legs.

### GCSE Exams coming up...

The final exams are just around the corner and we're here to provide you with up-to-date details and information of the upcoming GCSE exams.



Here are the details for the first exams;

- Thursday 8th May - Drama - Performance and Response - 9.30AM
- Friday 9th May - Business Studies - Paper 1 - 1.30PM
- Monday 12th May - English Literature Paper 1 - Shakespeare and 19th Century Novel - 9.30AM
  - Functional Skills Maths - Level 2 Paper 1 - 9.30AM
  - Computer Science - Paper 1 - 1.30PM
  - Functional Skills Maths - Level 2 Paper 2 - 1.30PM

### Vacancy - Clerk to the Governors of Mayfield School (Home-based)



This is a great opportunity to contribute and make a difference in Education on a part time basis supporting the Governing Body of Mayfield School.

If you are, or know anyone who may be, interested further details of the role, job description and advert can be found on the Mayfield School Website at: <https://www.mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk/vacancies/> or email [recruitment@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:recruitment@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk). Closing date: 01.06.2025.



## HMS COLLINGWOOD OPEN DAY 2025

Saturday 28th June

Featuring the RNRMC Field Gun Competition  
0930 to 1700 - Last Entry 1500



Also...

Fairground rides

Live music

Interactive zones

Military exhibits

Food stalls

...and much more!

Early Bird Tickets

Family - £54

Adult - £44

Child (over 3) - £7

Advance Tickets

Family - £57

Adult - £46

Child (over 3) - £8

On Day Tickets

Family - £39

Adult - £27

Child (over 3) - £9

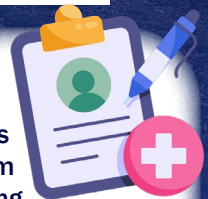
...to buy tickets, scan the QR code



<http://hmscollingwood.org.uk>



### Medical Notice



We'd like to remind all our Mayfield parents a reminder that, if your child suffers from Hayfever symptoms, we suggest giving them their antihistamine before school.

We'd also like to take this time to mention providing your child/ren with providing them with a bottle of water and sun cream as we are now entering the Summer term.

Remember - Any medicine apart from Paracetamol that comes through to us via Reception must come with a form attached that is supplied by Reception. Only prescribed medicine with its original packaging will be accepted.

Be sure you're checking into your ClassCharts app frequently to keep up-to-date with your child(ren)'s progress and any important information! This is one of our essential ways of communicating and providing you

### Skoolkit - Havant

## Skoolkit

Skoolkit are preparing for their Summer peak trading time and are running a 10% discount week at our Havant branch in July! This discount week will run from Monday 7th July - Saturday 12th July and any Mayfield School new parents will receive a 10% discount on any purchases made during those dates, so be sure to put these dates in your calendar.

### 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.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:general@mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk)

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