

8th May 2026

Mayfield Messenger

A message from Mr Howard

Dear families,

This week has been a great example of the ambition and collaborative spirit that runs across our Trust. Colleagues from all secondary subject areas, across our three schools, came together to review in preparation to refine our approaches to Key Stage 3 assessment for Years 7 to 9. This was an excellent opportunity to work collectively towards a shared approach that supports high standards for all learners, while also respecting and valuing each school's individual identity. The openness, trust and professionalism shown throughout this work truly reflect our commitment to inclusive practice and continuous improvement.

It was also a great pleasure to welcome members of our Academy Committee to the school this week and to walk with them around both our primary and secondary phases. The feedback from governors was overwhelmingly positive. They were particularly struck by how strongly our students demonstrate the values of ambition, inclusion and respect in their learning and interactions.

In our primary setting, the confidence of our youngest learners was exceptional. Children were reading independently, developing their fluency, and speaking thoughtfully about the texts they were enjoying. Their discussions reflected the excellent work that has been taking place to nurture a love of reading and high aspirations from an early age.

This week also saw Sport BTEC and Drama examinations take place, with students approaching these assessments with maturity, focus and ambition.

Looking ahead, it is encouraging to see our Year 10 students already preparing to apply for student leadership roles within the school. Their enthusiasm for taking responsibility and contributing positively to our community is a strong reflection of our culture of respect and inclusion.

Thank you, as always, to staff, students and families for your continued support and commitment to our shared values.

Have a great weekend!

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Year 5s Anglo-Saxon Adventure!

Year 5 had a fantastic day exploring the rich Anglo-Saxon history of Winchester Great Hall and Winchester City Museum as part of their history learning this term. The children discovered how Winchester became one of the most important cities in Anglo-Saxon England, learning about kings, settlements, artefacts, and everyday life. They enjoyed exploring historical exhibits, spotting links to their classroom learning and bringing history to life through hands-on experiences and discussions throughout the day.



GCSE Exams coming up...

The final exams are here for our Year 11 students and we want to give you the most up-to-date details and information on the upcoming GCSE exams.

Here are the details for the first 2 weeks into the GCSE exam period;

- Monday 11th May -
English Literature Paper 1 - 9:00 - 10:45
Business Paper 1 - 1:30 - 3:00PM
- Tuesday 12th May -
Religious Studies (Christianity) - 9:00 - 10:45AM

Small Choices, Big Voices

'Small Choices, Big Voices' gives all secondary students the chance to shape our school. From lessons and extracurricular activities to personal development, this is your opportunity to share what's working well and what could be even better. The more students who take part, the clearer our picture becomes—and the more we can act on your ideas to make our school the best it can be for everyone.

KS3 students will complete the survey during their computing lessons, while KS4 students have received the survey link via Class Charts. Make your voice heard—your opinions matter.



Combined Science (Biology Paper 1) - 1:30 - 2:45PM
Biology Paper 1 - 1:30 - 3:15PM

- Wednesday 13th May -
Geography Paper 1 - 9:00 - 10:30AM
Computer Science Paper 1 - 1:30 - 3:00PM

- Thursday 14th May -
Maths Paper 1 - 9:00 - 10:30AM
German (Reading) - 1:30 - 2:30PM

- Friday 15th May -
History Component 1 - 9:00 - 11:00AM

- Monday 18th May -
Combined Science (Chemistry 1) - 9:00 - 10:15PM
Urdu (Listening) - 1:30 - 2:15PM
Urdu (Reading) - 2:15 - 3:20PM

Tuesday 19th May -
English Literature Paper 2 - 9:00 - 10:15AM
Computer Science Paper 2 - 1:30 - 3:00PM

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, P01 2LN
PRICE:	£6 per session - Initial 2 sessions free!
VISIT:	www.Englandfootball.com/play/youth-football/

SCAN ME TO BOOK 10-13 GIRLS:

SCAN ME TO BOOK WILDCATS 5-9 GIRLS

SQUAD

GIRLS' FOOTBALL



Amazing work, Kayleigh!

We wanted to say a massive congratulations to Kayleigh in Year 4, who won some gold and silver medals last weekend at the Victory Dance and Arts Festivals for her tap solo and duet! This is such a fantastic achievement, well done Kayleigh!

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!