



Parent Newsletter

Autumn Term 6 - Wednesday IIth October 2023

This week years 2 and 5 have been completing their Spirals conversations with their teachers and enjoying a range of activities in the classroom.

It is always lovely to hear all the music that is happening in Mayfield in the mornings. This morning we were treated to a performance from the ukulele group on the KSI playground as they practised a piece. We are looking forward to hearing the choir sing and the ukulele group perform on Friday morning in our Harvest assembly.

If you are able to send any donations of food from the list below we will be delivering them to the Cambridge Foodbank following the assembly.

Sarah Stepney

Harvest Assembly Friday 13th October

Mayfield Harvest Assembly will be on Friday 13th October. This year we will be collecting donations for the local foodbank. Families are invited to bring donations in the morning of the 13th October, when there will be a whole school celebration assembly. Unfortunately we are unable to invite parents to this event because of space restrictions in the Large Hall.

This is FoodBank's current list of needed items:

- UHT Milk
- Cooking oil
- Tinned vegetables
- Pasta/ cook-in sauce
- Breakfast tea bags
- Rice
- Noodles
- Instant coffee (small jars)

- Jam
- Snack bars
- Tinned soup
- Tinned fruit (in fruit juice)
- Sponge puddings and jellies
- Savoury snacks
- Rice pudding
- Tinned meals eg. chicken in sauce, chilli

No Parking KSI Gates

Just a reminder that parking is not allowed on the yellow zigzag lines outside the KSI gates. This is for the protection and safety of the children.

Aspire Dance Funding for Children's Dance Lessons

We are so pleased the local council is offering funding for children's dance classes and would love to get some new dancers who maybe haven't had the funds before to attend a dance class.

The funding is open to children aged 4 to 15 whose families currently claim universal credit or income support and has not been in receipt of a similar funding grant. Your child can not already be involved in a dance class already.

Please head over to our website to see our class timetable www.aspiredancesport.co.uk then get in touch via email so we can discuss how to apply for the funding. Learndancewithrachel@gmail.com

New Dinner Money Amounts

Please note the dinner money will amount due for next half term is higher because it is a longer half term. Day and week payments remain the same.

 Per Day
 £2.50

 Per Week
 £12.50

 Half term
 £92.50

Exciting Art Project



We are very excited to be taking part in the Cambridge Standing Tall 2024 project. You may remember the decorated cows around Cambridge last year, this year the project is using giraffes, and we have been fortunate to receive a giraffe sculpture sponsored by the Alan Boswell Group.

Once decorated our 5ft giraffe (nicknamed Alan by the office team) will be put on display in an indoor venue in the city before being gifted back to us to keep. The larger giraffes will be auctioned to raise money for the charity Break, helping children in care.

The design team are currently finalising plans for our 'Standing Tall' contribution, collating ideas from the children's individual designs. Work is planned to start on the giraffe's transformation in the coming weeks, and we are looking for contributions of the following materials, should you have any to donate:

 Matt emulsion waterbased paint in blues, greens, white, greys, browns. (Half used tins is fine as long as it is still useable)

- Acrylic Paints
- Acrylic Paint pens / Posca pens
- Decorators paint brushes
- Gardening magazines, or nature magazines
- Blue, green and white tissue paper
- Masking tape
- Navy blue spray paint
- Fine sandpaper
- Clear varnish

Please bring donations to the office and we will keep you updated on Alan's progress.



We are using Cauliflower Cards for our annual celebration cards again this year. Celebration card artwork will be sent home by half term, for you to order online should you wish to purchase.

Please follow the instructions on the order form, using your unique reference number. Original artwork will then need to be returned to school to be sent off. They will not be able to process your order without it!

Orders should be placed online by Wednesday 2nd November.

Please note orders must be placed online at www.shop.cauliflowergroup.co.uk before returning the artwork to us. We are unable to accept cash at the office.

Should you require extra order forms (often siblings like to create a card design also) we do have spare order forms available at the office.

The school relies heavily on the commission earnt from our celebration card sales, to support art projects throughout the school year.

News from the PTA

Mrs Ayliffe Celebrations

Don't forget to join us from 3.15pm this Friday to celebrate Mrs Ayliffe as she retires from teaching.

<u>Last call for artworks</u> – please bring any Mrs Ayliffe-inspired art creations in to school by 9am on Friday – every entry wins a prize!

<u>Bring in your bakes</u> – prizes for the most unique and tastiest bakes as judged by Mrs Ayliffe herself. All bakes will then be available to buy in our bake sale. Please bring to the school office by 9am on Friday.

So please come along and celebrate Mrs Ayliffe – refreshments will be served and you can gather in the Large Hall to enjoy your bake sale purchases. Bring your picnic blankets!

We are getting desperate for extra help – please, please, please sign up. Volunteering for just one half hour slot will make huge difference and it's good fun too!

For more information visit <u>fundmayfield.com/events</u> and you can read our exclusive interview with Mrs Ayliffe <u>here</u>

Quiz Night - last few tickets!

This Friday also sees the return of the Mayfield Quiz Night. We still have a few tickets left, so don't miss out – buy yours now on ParentPay!

Find out more at fundmayfield.com/events

School disco is back

Save the date for the return of the school disco: Friday 3rd November. More information will follow soon!

Thank you!

A huge thanks to everyone who donated in the Bag2School collection – there was a mountain of bags ready for collection last Friday. We'll let you know how much we raised soon.

Dates for the	
Diary	
Harvest Assembly	Friday 13th October
Mrs Ayliffe PTA	Friday 13th October
Tea Party	
Governors and	Friday 13th October
PTA Quiz Night	
Half Term	Friday 20th October
INSET Day	Monday 30 th October – No children in school