



Parent Newsletter

Summer Term 12 – Wednesday 10th July 2024

It's been a busy week again! This morning, we all enjoyed a Rock Steady Concert. It's great to see the confidence that these sessions build. We are looking forward to seeing Mrs Taylor next week where she will be doing some music sessions.

It is the time of year that we sadly say goodbye to not only some children but also members of staff. Mrs Sheehan, Mrs Porter, Mrs Naim, Miss S Nicolls, Mrs Alaghemand, Miss Hall, Mrs Chillingworth, Mrs Jarman, Mrs LeMoal and Mrs Robinson will all be leaving us at the end of this term. We wish them all well on their new adventures. A huge thank you to them all for the skilled support that they provide every day to the children and for their commitment to Mayfield. They will be hugely missed.

We look forward to seeing those of you that are able to attend tomorrow for Sports Day. Fingers crossed for the rain to hold off!

Sarah Stepney

New Statutory Guidance for Attendance

Yesterday a Parentmail was sent out making you aware of the new guidance for school attendance which will be implemented from next term.

The Department for Education has issued new statutory guidance for attendance called *Working Together to Improve School Attendance*. This comes into effect on the 19th August 2024. It details what schools, parents and Local Authorities should do to improve pupils' attendance at school. There are some important changes to attendance management which will affect the support parents and pupils receive from schools, and the legal sanctions that are used in certain circumstances.

A new Attendance Policy will be issued in the Autumn Term incorporating the changes. The document included in the Parentmail highlights the changes and sanctions for unauthorised absences, which will be implemented from next term. It has also been included with this newsletter. **Please ensure you read it.**

Class Photos

The class photos will be given to class teachers today – please look out for them coming home and remind your child if they don't appear in the next day or so.

The normal size prints (8" x 10") were discontinued between us placing the order for proofs and the main order so we have upgraded all orders to 8" x 12".

Sports Day

Sports Day will be taking place on **Thursday 11th July**. The itinerary for the day is as follows:

9.30-10.30am: FS and KS1 sports – parents and carers are invited to join us on the field to cheer the children on.

12.00pm: Whole school picnic – parents and carers are welcome to join their children for a picnic on the school grounds. All children have school lunch will be provided with a picnic one to take outside. **There will be no hot meals on this day.**

1.00pm: KS2 sports – parents and carers are welcome to join us in the afternoon.

Children are encouraged to wear a t-shirt in their house colour if they are able to:
Beagle – red, Argo – yellow, Victory – green, Endeavour – blue

Year 5 £5 Challenge	This year the children in Year 5 will be taking part in the £5 Challenge . They will be given a fiver in groups and challenged to set up a mini business and make a profit. The sale of their products will take place after the KS2 Sports Day on 11th July so please bring in spare change- cash only! Many thanks to the PTA for lending us the money!
Outstanding Dinner Money	Please can all outstanding debts be paid. Anyone wanting balances can email skhan@Mayfield.cambs.sch.uk Any Year 6 accounts in credit next Wednesday will be refunded.
Grounds Closure Friday 12th July	Please note that the grounds will be closed from 4.30pm this Friday so that Y6 can set up for their camp-out.
Photos and Mobile Phones	With Sports Day and other end of term activities taking place we wanted to remind parents to be vigilant when taking photos and using mobile phones. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Images are for personal use, and should be kept securely and appropriately. • Images of other children should not be posted on the internet without agreement of the parent/ carer. Within the school you are asked not to use mobile phones at all in an area where children are present.
News from the PTA	<p>Non-uniform day - last day of term Our final business for the academic year is a non-uniform day on the last day of term (Friday 19 July). Donations welcome either through ParentPay or on the gates in the morning. What will you wear? Find out more on fundmayfield.com/events or donate now through ParentPay</p> <p>Sunflower competition - send your entries in by Monday 15 July We are hoping for a last few days of sunshine before we close our sunflower growing competition! Please send photos of your tallest sunflower, along with child's first name and class to sunflowers@fundmayfield.com by the end of the day on Monday 15 July. Winners will be announced in school before the end of term. Good luck everyone!</p> <p>Frozen Fridays Huge thank you to those Year 6 children who helped run our Frozen Friday stall last week! We're hoping to have Frozen Friday this week, but keep an eye on your Year Group WhatsApps for an update. Everyone do a sundance and keep fingers crossed for an upturn in this summer weather! Frozen Fridays are cash only, small change preferred.</p>

Dates for the Diary	
Thursday 11 th July	Sports Day
Friday 12 th July	Pupil reports issued
Friday 19 th July	Last Day of Term – Non-uniform day