



Reminders

Dinner money must be paid in advance. The cost is £2.45 per day or £12.25 per week. The office can bill payments termly if required. Don't forget to pay online using ParentPay. Ask the office for details of how to set up.

If your child is unable to come into school, please contact the school as soon as possible in the morning before 9am registration. Please keep us informed of continued absences.

Please can we remind visitors that Mayfield School is a NO PHONE ZONE

In order to keep our records up to date, let us know if there are any changes to your address or telephone numbers for both you and any other contacts. Up to date information is vital should there be an emergency and we need to contact you.

Remember to visit Mayfield's school website! Photos, events, trips and any latest information is regularly updated.

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MAYFIELD
SCHOOL



Summer 2
2023



MAYFIELD
NEWS

Welcome

Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome to our Summer 2 Newsletter - the final one for 2022/23!

We are very proud to share all the amazing stories of progress, determination and excellence demonstrated by our remarkable pupils at Chestnut, School and College. It is clear that your children and young people have been ably and wonderfully supported by the brilliant team of Mayfield staff at the 3 sites.

Thank you for another year of support and collaboration with us and I look forward to seeing you back in September.

Have a fantastic Summer holiday.

Kind regards,
Stuart Heron

UPCOMING DATES

Friday 21st July
Last Day of Summer 2 Term

Monday 4th September
Non Pupil Day

Tuesday 5th September
Non Pupil Day

Wednesday 6th September
First Day of Autumn 1 Term

Friday 20th October
Last Day of Autumn 1 Term

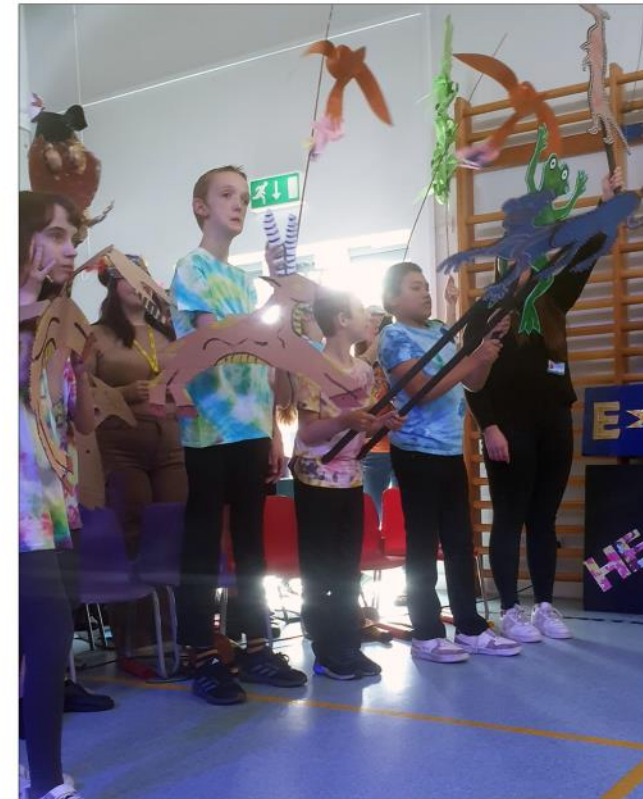
Monday 30th October
First Day of Autumn 2 Term



Race for Life

On Saturday 15th July, Team Stitch ran the Exeter 5k Race for Life. This was in memory of a courageous little girl, Isla King, who sadly lost her battle with childhood cancer in October 2022. Team Stitch was made up of Isla's family, friends and staff from Mayfield, which is where she attended.

Thankfully the weather stayed dry but the team still had to contend with the 5k run, the mud and obstacles. It was a challenge but everyone completed the course. As a team, they raised an incredible £3500 for Cancer Research UK, with money still coming in! Well done Team Stitch!



Theatre Performance

Our secondary pupils have spent the last few weeks preparing for their performance at the Unleashed Theatre Company in Abbey Road. They told a story of diversity and friendship, using friendships from popular films as their inspiration, through dance, singing and pre-recorded videos. They all did a fantastic job and we are very proud of them!

FAMILY Reading Group

With reading skills being core to all we do, Mayfield are starting a family reading group. Thank you to the parents volunteering their time to help fundraise, read, make and create resources with a goal to make Mayfield into a great reading partnership.



'Parental engagement can be a powerful lever for raising achievement in schools and there is much research to show the value of schools and parents working together to support pupils' learning.'

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KS2 Residentials - Mayfield

Our KS2 pupils enjoyed this years' residential here at Mayfield, with a range of fun activities. Linked to their topic of Julia Donaldson stories, it was a week filled with art and crafts as well as cooking based activities.

Pupils from classes 5 and 6 spent one night camping at the school in a tent, whilst some of the older pupils from classes 8 and 9, spent two nights camping in the tent.

After the school day, the pupils staying over filled their evenings making their own pitta bread pizzas for dinner, swimming in Mayfield's pool and enjoying the park, field and soft play rooms.

Before bedding down for the night in the tent, they shared hot chocolate, cookies and stories together. They all had a great time and for some pupils was their first experience of spending the night away from their families - well done KS2!

KS4 Residential - Devon Cliffs

Year 10 pupils from classes 16, 17 and 18 enjoyed a 4 night residential trip to Devon Cliffs caravan park in Exmouth. As well as enjoying the onsite amenities, they had a trip to the World of Country Life and went bowling in Exmouth town.

Back at Devon Cliffs, pupils enjoyed using the pool and joining in with the evening entertainment.

During their stay, pupils worked on developing their life skills; making their own lunches, getting ready in the mornings and keeping the caravan tidy.

As an added bonus, some of their friends joined the pupils for the day trips, making it extra special! Everyone had an amazing time and made memories that will last a lifetime!





Forest School

Class 18 have had an adventurous time in their Forest School sessions. Over this half term, they have worked hard as a team to build shelters both in the Forest School area and in Brunel Woods. They coordinated their efforts, with some pupils securing tethering lines whilst others held the tarpaulin in place.

They have also learnt how to use flint to start camp fires in a safe and controlled manner.



DORBRI Stables

Pupils in classes 17 and 19 have thoroughly enjoyed their time at Dorbri this half term. After being shown how to stay safe around the horses, the pupils eagerly helped out with yard chores, clearing the fields and mucking out the stables.

They were shown how to prepare the horses feeds and tempted them over with hay nets and healthy treats before grooming them and giving them lots of love and cuddles!





MEET the Governors

Mayfield prides itself on ensuring that pupils and staff are given the best opportunities and support. Our team of Governors are a wide selection of individuals with a variety of skills and experiences and are dedicated to the development of all pupils and staff to their best potential.

All Governors have a focus on Safeguarding with some members having an additional link to specific areas. Selected members also operate a Business and Operations Committee. The Governors meet as a full body twice a term, with a specific focus for each meeting.



Carol Lawson

Co-opted Governor



Heidi Baker

Co-opted Governor
Safeguarding Link



Stuart Heron

Headteacher
Business & Operations Committee



Matt Burrell

Chair
Business & Operations Committee
Safeguarding Link



Samantha Saunders

Staff Governor
Mental Health Link



Abigail Kent

Parent Governor



Terry Jackson

Vice Chair
Business & Operations Committee
Careers Link



Katie Cavanna

LA Governor
Business & Operations Committee
Mental Health Link



Simon Gardiner

Governor



Hugh Malyon

Governor



Tara Hawthorn

Co-opted Governor
Business & Operations Committee
Equality Link



Bob Julian

Co-opted Governor
Business & Operations Committee
Health & Safety Link



Nicola Murphy

Governor



Stephen France

Governor



Chestnut FOOTBALL Team

The Chestnut football team were incredibly lucky to be given sponsorship for 14 new kits and jackets by Rockfish. With the team continuously growing, they were a much needed addition and arrived just in time for our year 6 pupils to play one last game in them before they head off to their next provisions.

The team will be wearing their new kit with pride for their upcoming trip to Home Park, home to Plymouth Argyle FC, where they will tour the stadium and have a coaching session on the pitch.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Rockfish for their sponsorship!



ACTIVITIES WEEK

A highlight of the closing academic year is Activities Week. Pupils were able to choose from a range of fun activities to take part in, including trips to Crealy, Decoy Park, Hoburne Holiday Park, River Dart Country Park and Splashdown, as well as having free time in the school grounds.

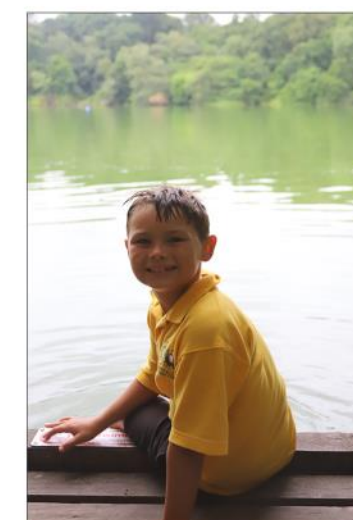
Pupils braved the cold water and had a great time unwinding with their peers after another successful year at Chestnut!



Beside the SEASIDE

We are so lucky to live in this beautiful bay, so at the Annexe, pupils have been learning all about living beside the seaside. They have discussed a range of topics from exploring geographical coastal characteristics and sorting them into natural and man-made features, to learning about how to stay safe in the sun and on the beach.

They had fun making their own local delicacies too including pasties and, of course, scones, which the pupils enjoyed in a traditional Devon Cream Tea!





COLLEGE NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

It feels as though this academic year has flown by. We have had a particularly busy year at the college and we hope you have enjoyed seeing what our students have experienced both onsite and within the community.

Thank you to the college staff team for making this year so memorable for all our students. To our leavers, it is never goodbye, but see you later! To those who are starting at the college after the Summer or continuing their journey with us, I look forward to seeing you for a new term on the 6th of September.

Have a wonderful Summer holiday everybody!

Rachel Hawthorne
Head of College

The staff and student relationships this year have been truly special. It's been a pleasure to have built a supportive and inclusive environment where every student has been valued and encouraged.

The bond between our dedicated staff team and the inspiring students has been the foundation of our success. The whole of the Engagement staff team would like to wish Ellie, Max and Tiger the very best within their new paths and look forward to continuing building wonderful memories with our students continuing at Mayfield College.

Engagement with Aaron Constable



Life & Living with Sam Saunders

Over the Summer term, Life and Living students have enjoyed many activities such as swimming at Clennon Valley and in the sea. Tanya thought it was 'Good, I really enjoyed it.'

Students have had the opportunity to plan their own travel training outings. Harrison chose to go to 'Brixham, Breakwater, on the Stagecoach bus'. He has communicated that his favourite activity this year has been being able to access the bus.

We asked our students to reflect on their year at college and asked what their favourite memories have been. Here is what they said:

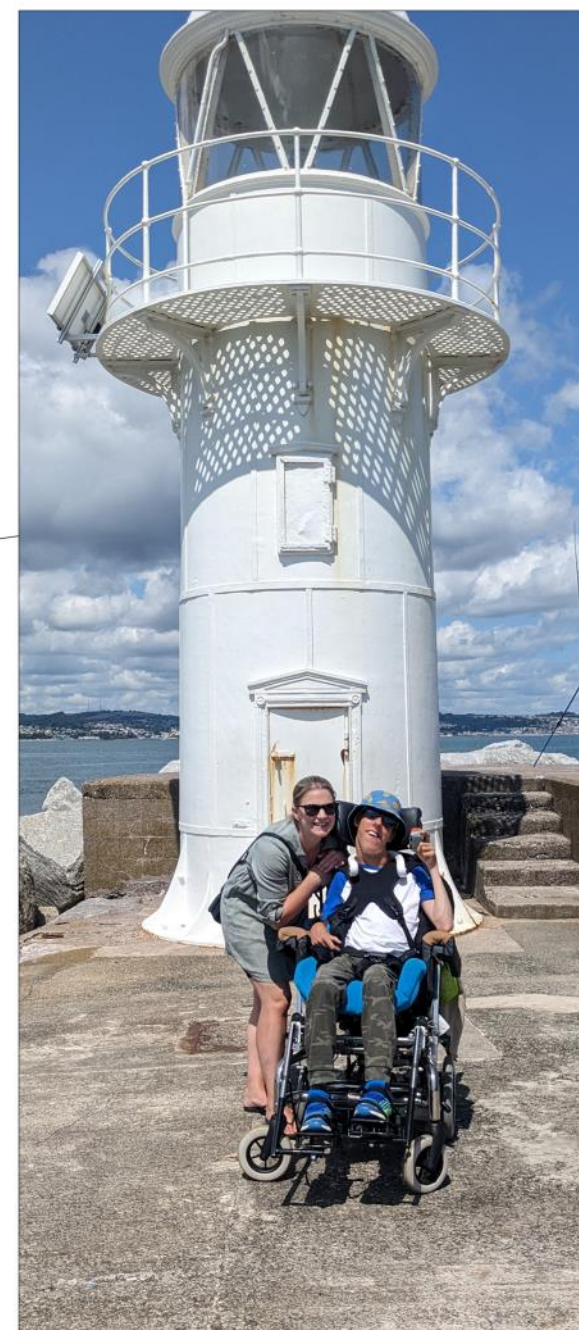
'Art. ICT. Maths. Work experience. Woodwork, because I like sanding.' - William

'I really liked working on e-sports with Ryan and learning to do computers.' - Elliot

'Winning gold medal at Ten Tors. gaming tournament - I won twice.' - Kaden

'Being in college has helped me not to worry so much. I've made new friends.' - Katie

'I feel more confident to 'have a go' at things. I'm proud of lots of things and of who I am.' - Alfie



Life & Living COMMUNITY Participation Group

with Harrison Yeates

Our final term this year has been a very busy one. Our young people have enjoyed attending Prom, the Garden Party and many activity days exploring their local community. although this term has been full of events and celebrations, Life and Living have still been working very hard on their functional skills, Maths and English.

This term we have introduced Science lessons where we have looked at space and the solar system, the human body, plants and animals as well the habitats they live in.

The students have exceeded all expectations this term and we are all really proud of what they have achieved and how they have grown as individuals.



COLLEGE NEWS



E-sports with Ryan Delbecque

In e-sports we have been looking at careers and building a CV. During ICT sessions, each learner has created their own slam poem about their favourite thing in 2023. Skye has written a fantastic poem about animals and plastic:

*There's a jellyfish, who's willing to admit,
That if plastic arrived, it would quickly submit.
A turtle and pelican, more victims of fate,
Both now have a bad plastic infested gourmet plate.*

*Tragically, the pufferfish is next in line,
Soon eating tons of plastic, bummer not so fine.
The seagull and cormorant, so noble and bold,
Will now, due to plastic, remain hungry and cold.*

*But, what of the catshark and the ray of the sea?
Alas, they too will eat plastic, that's certain, you'll see.
The salmon and eel, no better luck here,
Plastic consuming both now wander in fear.*

*We must come together, the plastic must cease,
Restore the land of the wildlife, help keep the oceans at peace.*

Transition with Kate Foley



Students in the Transition Pathway have just enjoyed their 3 day residential trip at PGL Barton, where they pushed themselves to their limits and showed what incredible, well mannered and kind individuals they all are.

Phoebe completed her work experience at the Toorak hotel and we are so proud of her achievement.

All of the transition students have made so much progress this year and we look forward to seeing how amazing their futures are!



CLASS of 2023

Shane A-H	January 2013 - July 2023
Tiger C	September 2012 - July 2023
James E	November 2013 - July 2023
William G	April 2013 - July 2023
Sophie L	April 2019 - July 2023
Max P	June 2009 - July 2023
Charlie P	September 2020 - July 2023
Hayden P	September 2014 - July 2023
Mia S	September 2021 - July 2023
Phoebe S	September 2021 - July 2023
Elliot V	July 2012 - July 2023
Eleasha W	August 2012 - July 2023

Independent Learners with Jess Home

Our Independent Learners have had a busy term, visiting Crealy, going camping, taking part in Taiko drumming as well engaging in activities that count towards their Duke of Edinburgh award, such as beach cleans.

Our Year 11's took part in a careers morning with Darren Baker from Careers South West to explore what careers they might enjoy in the future.

It has been a fantastic half term and we are very proud of those students who have been accredited in Maths, English and ICT.

