



MAYFIELD



REMINDERS

Dinner money must be paid in advance. The cost is £2.60 per day or £13.00 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.

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.

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

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

www.mayfieldtorbay.org



MAYFIELD
NEWS

Summer 1
2025



Welcome

Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome to our Summer 1, 2025 Newsletter.

We are excited to share some aspects of the incredible journey of our pupils during the first half of the Summer term. They have shown exceptional growth, both academically and personally. Their progress has been nothing short of remarkable, reflecting their dedication and resilience.

The sense of community and collaboration among pupils and staff has been truly inspiring. The entire staff team is immensely proud of their achievements and the personal growth they have demonstrated.

Kind regards,
Stuart Heron



UPCOMING
DATES

Friday 23rd May
Last Day of Summer 1 Term

Thursday 19th June
Coffee Morning

Monday 23rd June
Residential - Devon Cliffs

Thursday 10th July
Sports Day

Monday 21st July
Leavers Assembly

Monday 2nd June
First Day of Summer 2 Term

Thursday 19th June
Watcombe Scout Hut Stay

Monday 30th June
Residential - Perranporth

Wednesday 16th July
Garden Party

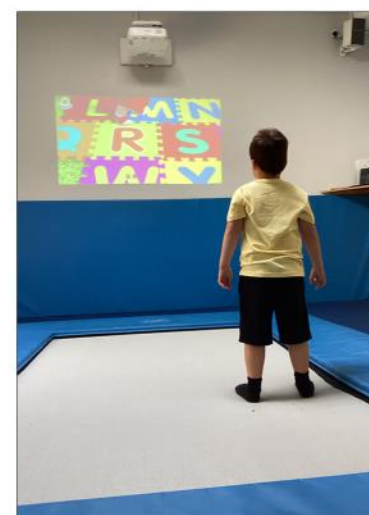
Tuesday 22nd July
Last Day of Summer 2 Term



Under The Sea

Our Sensory pupils have been learning about the seaside and under the sea. They have enjoyed exploring a range of sensory activities including rock pooling, sea foam, freeing sea creatures from ice, painting with puffy sand paint, counting with fish and looking at a range of topic books with props and matching symbols.

They have all shown amazing engagement throughout this term, displaying their fondness of the seaside.



STAY ACTIVE EYFS

It has been a busy half term for our EYFS pupils, who are constantly on the move both in and out of the classroom. They have made the most of the sunnier days by utilising their outdoor learning areas, growing plants and playing ball games.

They have also enjoyed weekly swimming and PE sessions, as well as using the rebound room.



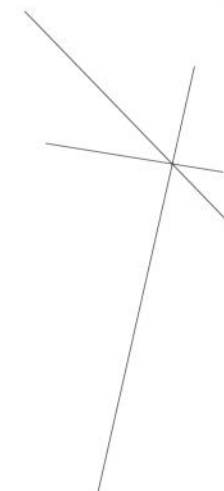


Classes 13, 15 and 17 have had a lovely time accessing Dorbri Stables in the sunshine this term, meeting the 2 new ponies; Lacey the little gypsy cob and Luna the black cob. The group remembered the skills they learnt during previous visits in order to complete the jobs correctly and provide the best care for the horses.

George from class 8, who has continued to come with 15, is our champion hay net filler, ensuring the horses will have some tasty forage along with their grass.

With support from staff, pupils from Class 17 were also able to fully access this activity. They helped with some chores and had a well earned break in the buttercup and daisy fields.

Dorbri Stables & Forest School



SCHOOL NEWS



Skills:

Maths & ICT

Maths skills are often at the core of many lessons, with learning linked to current topics in fun and engaging ways. Class 9 have been developing their number skills using blocks, wooden bricks and a variety of small toys to create patterns. Classes 14 and 18 have explored space, shape and measure, compare lengths and different 3D shapes.

Integrating technology into English lessons, pupils have accessed various sites and games to develop their typing and language skills.



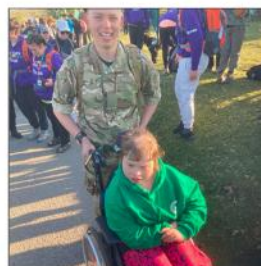
TEN TORS

Ten Tors, Jubilee Challenge 2025 was another resounding success, with 21 pupils, our largest group yet, taking part in the challenge on Dartmoor.

On arrival the pupils explored the Army Base, enjoying the interactive games and live band. They all really enjoyed watching the army helicopters fly (really low!) overhead and land nearby. In the evening, the group enjoyed our classic Ten Tors Spaghetti Bolognaise, followed by cakes and snacks. There was just enough time to watch the Sun set over the valley before a very cold nights sleep, or lack of it!!!

There were 4 Mayfield groups competing in the Challenge, JC1 (7.8 miles), two in JC2 (8.9 miles) and JC3 (11 Miles). All the pupils showed incredible resilience, endurance and team work to complete the challenge. In true tradition they all ran for the finish line, cheered by a very loud Mayfield crowd, with every team completing by 2.00 pm.

Everyone claimed their medals and headed home for a well earned rest. We would like to thank all staff that supported the event, as it wouldn't happen without them.



Exploring the Weather

Classes 5 and 6 have explored weather effects in a very creative way this half term. They have painted rainbows, squirted paint on sheets with water pistols and listened to sounds under umbrellas!

Alongside their rainbow paintings, pupils also created butterfly art, using finger paints and folded paper as part of their learning on symmetry



Pupils from Classes 7 and 19 enjoyed a great afternoon on the field together with a game of rounders. It was a great chance for them to work on their teambuilding with another class.

Teambuilding: ROUNDERS





College Overview

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half-term has gone particularly quickly, perhaps it is because the sun has shone. The students have managed to go out more, experience more and learn more in their community. For this reason, we have chosen to show just some of the photos that we have taken of the incredible college students whilst in their local community.

This half term, students at the college have:

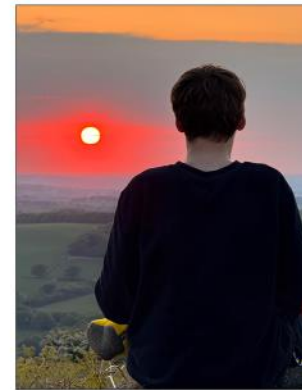
- Completed a beach clean
- Visited Paignton Zoo to learn about ecology
- Looked at financial planning within Maths and met staff at a local bank
- Visited Meadfoot Beach and discovered the art of rock stacking,
- Enjoyed an outdoor swim and crazy golf at Holburne Holiday Park

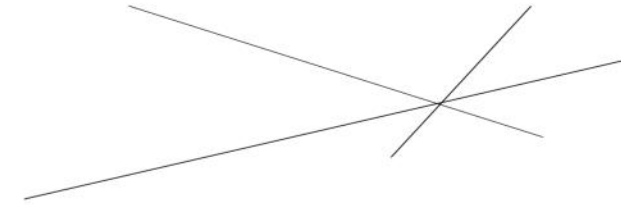
For some of our students, transition has started, so they were able to access horticulture at South Devon College.

8 college students successfully completed the Ten Tors Jubilee Challenge and we are exceptionally proud of them.

Have a great half-term everybody!

Rachel Hawthorne
Head of College





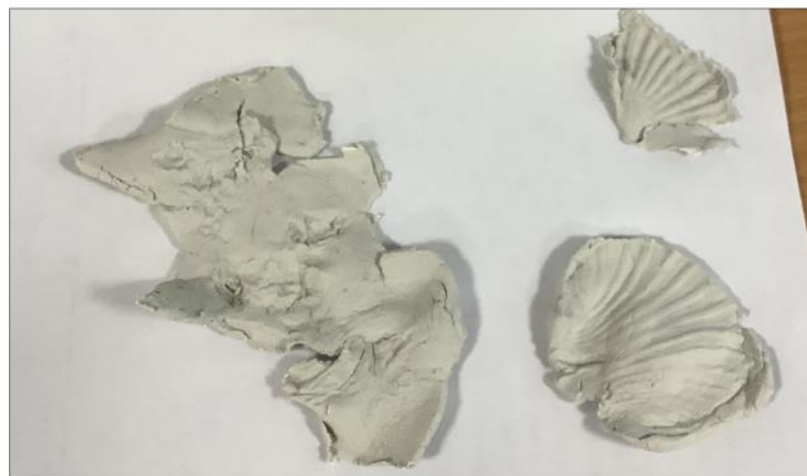
COLLEGE NEWS





FOSSILS

Willow class have extended their Dinosaur theme from the last half term and have been focussing on fossils. In Science sessions they explored how fossils are made over millions of years. They discussed what fossils can be found along the UK coasts and how they are excavated to ensure the fossil remains intact. Using shells and clay, the group made their own fossils and explored how pressure can alter the finished article.



Safety at Sea

Pupils at Chestnut had a fantastic visit from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. The team talked to the pupils about how to remain safe when near any body of water. They demonstrated some important life saving skills and the pupils learnt how to stay calm and float properly if they ever find themselves in trouble around water.

The group then discussed the different flags they might find on our beaches and what they mean, along with identifying safe spaces to swim.

A favourite of the day had to be dressing up in the RNLI safety gear; from lifejackets to protective headwear to buoyancy aids!

A special thank you to the RNLI volunteers who donated their time to teach our pupils some essential skills.





WOODLAND
Stories



Maple Class took a visit to the woods to explore the sights, sounds and smells to use for inspiration in their writing. They have been learning about Little Red Riding Hood and thought first hand about her experience walking through a woodland. The pupils used this experience to look at the well known story from different perspectives and consider alternative hiding places the Wolf could have hid. As they ventured through the wood they also enjoyed pointing out various insects and animals as well as swinging over the stream on a rope swing!



Football Gallery

