



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

Autumn 2
2025



UPCOMING DATES

Friday 19th December
Last Day of Autumn 2 Term

Monday 5th January
First Day of Spring 1 Term

Thursday 15th January
Coffee Morning

Monday 9th February
STEM Week

Friday 13th February
Last Day of Spring 1 Term

Monday 23rd February
First Day of Spring 2 Term

Welcome

Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome to our final newsletter of 2025! We are delighted to celebrate the incredible experiences and achievements of our pupils throughout the second half of the autumn term.

Across College, Chestnut, and School our pupils have demonstrated amazing confidence, resilience, and effort, making phenomenal progress in their learning and personal development. The entire staff team is immensely proud of all they have accomplished. Wishing you a joyful Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Kind regards

Stuart Heron



FIREWORK Fun

Pupils across the school have enjoyed exploring different ways to celebrate Guy Fawkes Night in their art sessions. They have created some amazing firework pictures using a variety of techniques, from stamping, painting, sequin art and using straws to blow paint across the paper. Class 4 really enjoyed exploring sparklers, creating different movements with the sparkles and learning how to use them safely.

The whole school enjoyed a firework display on the field, where they watched for the smoke and braced for the bangs and whistles.

Maths Skills

Maths skills are embedded into all aspects of the school curriculum and the pupils have been working hard to apply and further their knowledge this term.

Primary classes have been practicing their number and shape knowledge in fun and engaging activities, as well as exploring patterns whilst working on fine motor skills.

Secondary pupils have explored functional maths, learning coin values.





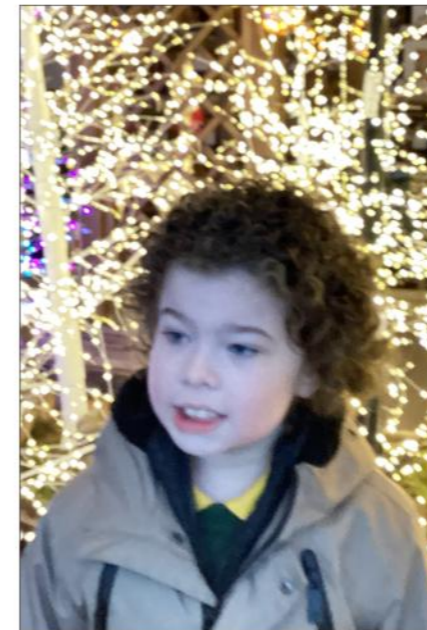
SCHOOL NEWS



Countdown to CHRISTMAS

The build up to Christmas in the Autumn 2 Term is always packed with with a wide range of festive activities! Pupils have enjoyed trips to Marlson Christmas Tree Farm and Otter Garden Centre, created amazing crafts , cookies and sweets to sell at the Christmas Enterprise Fayre, enjoyed their favourite Christmas stories and made their own cards using our Green Screen technology!

To finish the term, pupils have worked incredibly hard on their Christmas performances and their amazing Sensory Spectacular experience.





SCHOOL NEWS



DORBRI & Forest School

Our EYFS pupils have been exploring the Forest School area through play based activities and enjoyed making popcorn on the camp fire while remaining safe. Classes 5 and 6 played parachute games in the sun and Class 16 used a variety of tools to make wooden ornaments.

At Dorbri Stables the pupils have been very hands on with all of the daily jobs, including making feeds and hay nets and of course giving the horses lots of love!



Autumn 2 GALLERY Favourites





Celebrating Christmas & New Connections

Dear Families,

As we approach the Christmas holidays, the excitement across the College sites is evident! Our students have had the opportunity to visit local Christmas markets, soaking up the sights, sounds, and seasonal cheer.

One of the highlights this term was our very own Christmas Market at Parkfield, which was a fantastic success. Families came together to enjoy stalls, crafts and festive treats, creating a warm and joyful atmosphere. Thank you to everyone who supported this event - it was lovely to see so many smiling faces.

In addition to the festive celebrations, we are thrilled to share an exciting new development. The Life and Living Careers and Further Education pathway has begun connecting with a school in The Gambia called iPromise Special Educational Needs School. These meetings will give our students the opportunity to share experiences, learn from one another, and build friendships across continents.

As we look forward to the holidays, I would like to thank the entire College community for making this term so memorable. Wishing you all a joyful Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year!

Rachel Hawthorne
Head of College





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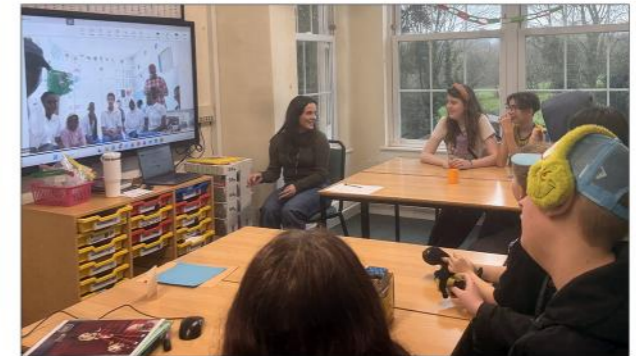


Exploring the Community



COLLEGE NEWS

Students have enjoyed accessing the local community this term, including visits to the beach, Dawlish Garden Trust, Animals in Distress, Turning Heads and a trip to Exeter on the train to enjoy the Christmas Market.





Slapton's War History



Acorn Class have been reading a book based in Slapton during WWII - The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips by Michael Morpurgo. They visited the memorial tank, dedicated to American personnel who lost their lives whilst practising for the D-Day landings and looked at the Thank You Memorial that was given to the people of the South Hams from the American Troops that were stationed there.

Back at Chestnut, Palm Class explored what it was like to enlist for the Army as well as trying on Army uniforms.



ORIENTEERING Skills

Pupils from Palm and Oak classes ventured to Haldon Forest for the day for an orienteering lesson as part of their PE sessions.

Working in small groups, they accurately followed the maps, gave directions to their team mates and learnt about the forest on their way around. As a treat for their hard work, they finished the day in the park, before heading back home.





CHESTNUT NEWS

HOLLY CLASS

Pupils in Holly Class have had a busy term exploring lots of sensory based activities. They made a witches soup, filled with lots of sticky and slimy ingredients, have decorated biscuits with colourful icing and experimenting with paint in their art sessions!

The group have also been working hard in their Maths and English sessions, matching jigsaw pieces to the correct values and reinforcing their alphabet knowledge.



Autumn 2 Gallery Favourites

