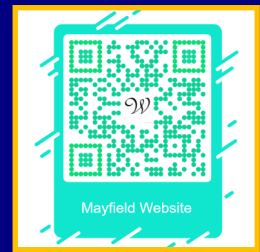




The Headlines



WEBSITE LINK

Mayfield Primary School, Lytham St Annes

Headteacher: Mr G T Denton Date: Friday 6th September

'Ready For The Future'



WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR

Welcome back or a first time hello. Here are some headlines after a busy summer of developments.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The full calendar for the year is on the website - please use the links opposite. I have also put the key dates to Christmas on the notice boards outside. As ever, we may add extra bits that arise during the year that are impossible to know right now (Mayfield Together events, new school trips etc...).

OUTDOOR UPDATES

As highlighted in my last films before the summer on our MAYFIELD TV channels, we have continued to develop our sports areas over the summer. You will notice the netball picket fence that is now in place and the continued refurbishment of The Wizard of Oz Garden. The cricket area has continued to see improvements ready for the opening of the provision in the next two weeks.

COLLECTION AREAS AND MOBILE PHONES

A reminder that we ask all adults at drop off and collection time to stand in their allocated areas. We are having signage made to help any newcomers or act as reminders. We are also a non-mobile phone school site. Please ensure that for the short time you are on site that your phone is not in use. As ever, at special events permission may be given to take photos but we will announce that on the day.

WIDER AND EXTRA CURRICULAR OFFER

The clubs and wider enrichment time offer is bigger than ever this year. We have produced the full year calendar to help with making choices and plans for the children. You should have received your paper copy yesterday, if your child was not in yesterday afternoon (EYFS, absence etc...) you will receive your copy when the children are next in school. It is not a first-come-first-served system so nobody is disadvantaged. The aims of the system have been try and create as many opportunities as possible for all year groups and ensure we don't have a monopoly upon the offer for certain years over others. We have also tried to consider using subject leaders extra knowledge and skills to develop offers in those areas. The children like the sporting, performing arts and practical clubs so we have leaned heavily upon those. These are the most popular and the children tell us they enjoy them best. As ever, we have tried to make the offer free of any charge. The only charges relate to the private tuition offered by keyboards and LAMDA. Contact myself at school if you want to know more about cost and accessibility for all. We have a long track record under my leadership of not making money a barrier to opportunity wherever we can.

We wanted this year to highlight the in-school hours enrichment that takes place. We earmark a couple of afternoons where the children can dedicate more time to areas of interest and skill. It is so important that we are more than just a 'sit down and rote learn' school. Enrichment opportunities across a broad curriculum is essential and creating time within the school to dedicate to sport, creative arts and performing arts is essential to our aim of the children being ready for the future in its widest sense.

We ideally need replies to the club forms by Tuesday next week so we can start confirming numbers and letting families know. The after school clubs start on Monday 16th September, except the new musical theatre club which begins next Wednesday with our new school partner Rachael McCormick - who specialises in performing arts and is principal for the Fylde Pauline Quirke Academy.

A new feature will be the opportunity to begin some Forest School work with Year 1 and Year 2 on Thursday afternoons between 1.00 and 3.00. Mrs Miller is going to lead this work and we will be interested to see where this takes us and the response from the children. We attempted to explore this a couple of years ago but we feel that now is the ideal time to pick this provision up and press on.

We also have new ideas this year. I will be leading some golf foundation work and Formula One Car Projects with the children. I have recently completed training on these areas and am excited to try them out.

Plus, we have a brand new Brilliant Book Time Together club on Mondays after school. This is a club with a difference as we want families and children to undertake this together. It is basically time to share books between family and the children. Mrs Duerden has been keen to develop an opportunity like this for some time and this is just the beginning. Our aim is that by January it will also combine with a weekly lending library in the playground and a reading café.

I have made a MAYFIELD TV news bulletin to coincide with these headlines. Scan the QR codes to take a look. Until next week, take care.

Mr Denton



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FORTHCOMING DATES

All Dates for 2024-2025 at

<https://www.mayfield12.lancsngfl.ac.uk/page/current-academic-year-sept-2023-july-2024/128534>

AUTUMN TERM 2024

SEPTEMBER

Wed 11th: KS1/EYFS Musical Theatre Group Begins

Thu 12th: KS2 Musical Theatre Groups Begins

Mon 16th: All Other After School Clubs Begin

WED 18TH: MEET THE TEACHER EVENT FROM 3.20-4.30

OCTOBER

Fri 11th: ROLL OF HONOUR @ 9.10

WED 16TH: PARENTS EVENING FROM 3.30-6.30

FRI 18TH: SCHOOL CLOSURES AT 3.15 FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAYS

SCHOOL CLOSED

MON 21ST - FRI 25TH OCT

MON 28TH: SCHOOL OPENS FOR AUTUMN TERM 2

NOVEMBER

Fri 15th: Children In Need Non-Uniform Day

Fri 29th: 6NT Learning Presentation for Parents @ 2.15 in ABC Theatre

DECEMBER

Fri 6th: 6MH Learning Presentation for Parents @ 2.15 in ABC Theatre