



Issue 5

Friday 6th October

School Improvement priorities

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers, Children and Members of the Mayfield

Each year we focus on a small number of school improvement priorities, looking at how we can make the quality of education for our children even better and to help more children achieve and at least meet expectations for their year group across the curriculum.

This year's priorities are:

- (1). Improve pupil outcomes across the curriculum by helping children to: a). know and remember more, b). use their phonics within Reading and Writing, c). read longer texts fluently, d). strengthen arithmetic skills and understanding of number, e). build extra challenge and independence, and f). improve children's handwriting and use of different sentence types.
- (2). Continue to develop the curriculum to meet the range of diverse needs across school.
- (3). Continue to secure good attendance and tackle persistent absence (10% or more sessions missed).
- (4). Continue to ensure high-quality behaviour and attitudes to learning.



Mr. M. Couper-Barton



Mr Couper-Barton (Headteacher)

Mayfield's 'Quote of the Week'

Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it.



Morning Sports Club



(Week beginning: 9.10.23)

- Monday: Football
- Tuesday: Basketball
- Wednesday: Rounders
- Thursday: Gymnastics
- Friday: Hockey

FREE places for children in Yr1-6. (8.15am)

Please drop children off at the main entrance.

Mayfield 'Value of the Week'



At Mayfield we encourage our children to show 'Respect'.

We believe in respecting our friends, our families, the staff within our school, members of our community and the wider world.

We believe we all equally deserve the respect we provide to others.





Welcome to Mrs Stanley

I would just like to introduce myself. My name is Mrs Stanley, and I am the new Pastoral Officer here at Mayfield. Some of you will be aware of this as we have met already.

So, a bit about me. I have a lot of experience in the pastoral / safeguarding area having worked with children and young people aged 0-19. I have been based in children's centres, youth centres, high schools, and primary schools across a number of Authorities including Oldham previously, Salford, Huddersfield and most recently Bury. I love this role and am passionate about getting the best outcome for the children and families I work with. I am very much looking forward to working with you. If you need to contact me for any reason, please contact main reception. If I'm not available, I'll get back to you!

Best wishes. Mrs Stanley



World Mental Health Day

World Mental Health Day 2023 is on Tuesday 10th October 2023.

At Mayfield our theme this year is 'Speaking kindly to yourself'. Children will discuss the importance of speaking kindly to yourself and explore positive affirmations.

Positive affirmations are 'positively loaded phrases, or statements that are used to challenge unhelpful or negative thoughts'.

Children will be asked to design a sticker with a positive affirmation on, they will be given the option to wear and share their positive affirmation with others throughout the day. Our aim is to encourage children to think and talk positively about themselves.



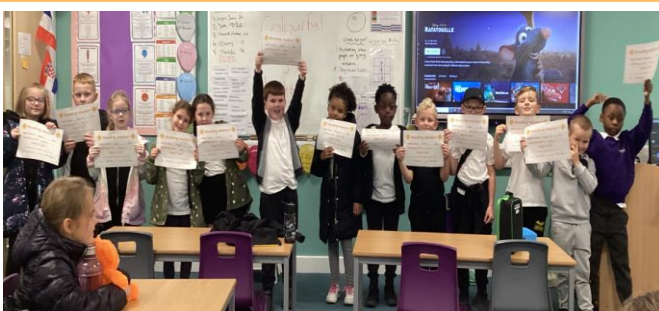
Lots to celebrate at Mayfield

Congratulations to Nursery who had the highest attendance and punctuality figures!

Congratulations to Yr3 children for moving up coloured bands in reading.



Congratulations to raffle prize winners in Nursery.



Mayfield's Message Board

Harvest

In school, we will shortly be talking to the children about Harvest. We would also like to collect tinned food items and toiletries, which we will then pass on to Oldham Foodbank. If you would like to get involved, please drop off items at your child's class at the start or end of the day. We will be donating items collected on Thursday 12th and Thursday 19th October. Thank you for your support.

PE kits



A polite reminder to some families that our PE kit is simply plain black and white items. (Plain white T-shirt and black shorts / jogging bottoms and black jumper / tracksuit top). One of the children this week said, 'It's easy to remember. We just need to look like penguins!'



House Teams

All children have been allocated a House Team and are earning house points as individuals and for their house. Good luck everyone!



Halloween and Christmas discos

Last year we held Halloween and Christmas discos after school for children to attend. We will be doing something similar this year and will issue some more details shortly. We have a fantastic DJ to entertain at the events.

There will be separate discos for EYFS, KS1 and KS2, and children will have the opportunity to buy snacks and wear fancy dress / own clothes if they choose.



A few of this week's Mayfield Magic Moments



Top left

Nursery have had an action-packed week and have enjoyed moving in different ways.

Top right

Yr1 have been learning about the UK in their Geography lessons.

Bottom left

Reception really enjoyed their Autumn walk and exploring our beautiful school grounds.

Bottom right

Thank you to Mrs Howard and her special helpers for preparing the new House Teams boards.

This week's special award winners!

Mayfield's 'Superstars of the Week'

Congratulations to the following winners who have demonstrated outstanding behaviour choices or shown a superb attitude to learning or for a special achievement.

Nursery BB: Eira Green & Fatima Zahra
 Reception LA: Alina Gregory & Charlie Mayall
 Reception PS: Jason Igboke & Poppy English

Year One SC: Luca Shaw & Reuben Lawton
 Year One WO: Bella-Rose Houghton-Evans & Piper Galloway
 Year Two HS: Leegan Doel & Leo Berry
 Year Two RL: Anaya Zeshan & Charlotte Mason

Year Three ER: Matthew Nkhunje & Octavia Duffy
 Year Three ET: Florence Jakeman & Xavier Cunningham
 Year Four JS: Amelia Jones & Brody Kershaw
 Year Five JH: Elnour Hamed & Rocco Greenwood
 Year Six HD: Joe Bell & Elliot Cook

Mr
Choudhury's
winner

Leighena Bennett

Mrs
Schofield's
winner

Rawan Hamed

PE Award winners

	PE award winners	Team Spirit Award winners
Nursery BB	Hazzan Dauda	Jaxon-James Morrison
Reception LA	Jacob Ogden	Frankie Grogan
Reception PS	Daisy Kirkham	Sydney McGrath Kennedy
Year One SC	Musa Yarwar	Oscar Sheridan
Year One WO	George Payne	Alicia Mayemba
Year Two HS	Aaron Walker	Erin Mills
Year Two RL	Finley Priestley	Harriett Quarmby
Year Three ER	Alfie Oatway	Megan Rands
Year Three ET	Jolene Ayongo	Jeremiah Nkomo
Year Four JS	Ethan Makin	Robyn Schofield
Year Five JH	Hallie Heyes	Reggie Lester
Year Six HD	Lacey McMillan	Micheal Mullen-Akroyd

House Team Winners of the Week

1 st place	Kingston Red
2 nd place	Vulcan Yellows
3 rd place	Granite Green
4 th place	Waverley Blue

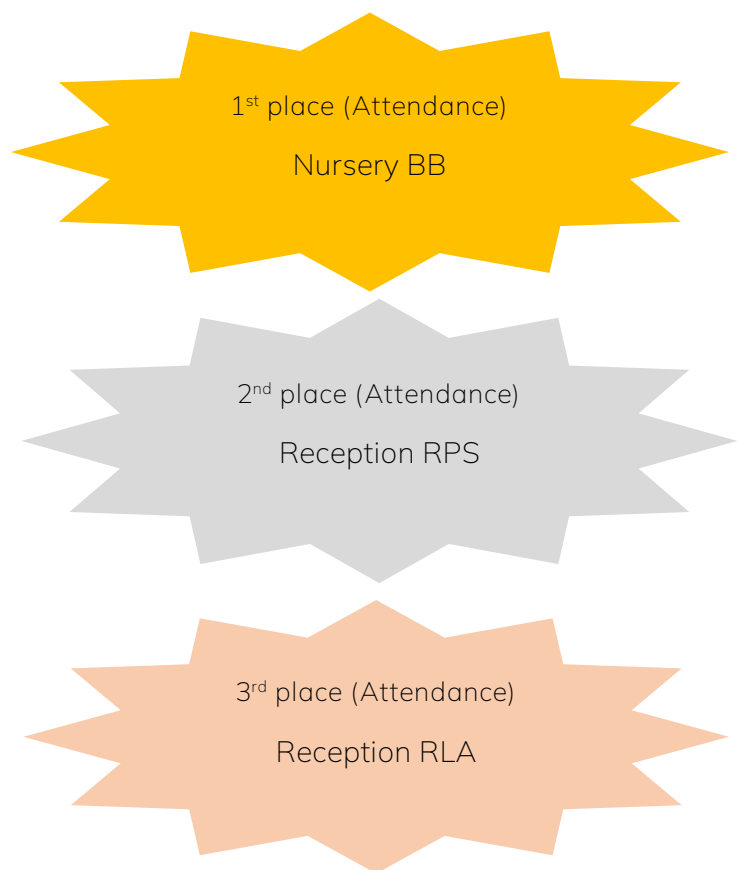


Dates for your Diary

Dates	Events
16.10.23	Photograph Day (Individual and siblings) Full uniform please.
17.10.23	Yr2 Information Evening (Parents / carers, and children) 3.30-4.15pm (At least one family member per child please).
19.10.23	'Take One Picture' Art Exhibition in the Small Hall
20.10.23	End of Half-term One
30.10.23	Inset Day (Children not in school)
31.10.23	Start of Half-term Two
1.11.23*	Halloween Discos (EYFS: 4.00-4.45pm) (KS1: 5.00-5.45pm) (KS2: 6.00-6.45pm)
2.11.23	Early Help Parental Nurture Workshops begin (Info to follow)
3.11.23*	Yr6 Curriculum visit to Eden Camp
6.11.23	Parents' / Carers' Evening (NBB, RLA, Yr1SC, Yr2RL, Yr3ET, Yr4JS, Yr6HD) 3.30-6.30pm
9.11.23	Parents' / Carers' Evening (NBB, RPS, Yr1WO, Yr2HS, Yr3ER, Yr5JH) 3.30-6.30pm
13.11.23	Mayfield 'Open Evening' (new parents / carers, community, etc).
11.12.23*	Christmas Discos (EYFS: 4.00-4.45pm) (KS1: 5.00-5.45pm) (KS2: 6.00-6.45pm)
14.12.23	Pantomime at Queen Elizabeth Hall
15.12.23	Christmas Fair
21.12.23	Amazing Stephen performance (EYFS)
22.12.23	End of Half-term Two
8.1.24	Start of Half-term Three
16.2.24	End of Half-term Three
26.2.24	Start of Half-term Four
28.3.24	End of Half-term Four
15.4.24	Start of Half-term Five
6.5.24	May Day (Children not in school)
24.5.24	End of Half-term Five
3.6.24	Start of Half-term Six
18.7.24	End of Half-term Six
19.7.24	Inset Day (Children not in school)

*New events

Attendance and Punctuality (from Tues-Fri this week)



97% and above	Excellent
Heading in the right direction but some improvement needed	91% to 95%
	Attendance is slipping: to be closely monitored
90% or below	Poor (High numbers of children are persistently absent)

	Attendance	Punctuality
Overall	95.2%	99.4%
Nursery BB	98.0%	99.5%
Reception LA	97.8%	99.1%
Reception PS	97.9%	99.0%
Year One SC	96.2%	98.3%
Year One WO	95.0%	99.8%
Year Two HS	94.6%	99.8%
Year Two RL	95.2%	99.3%
Year Three ER	95.7%	99.4%
Year Three ET	95.4%	99.6%
Year Four JS	94.7%	99.1%
Year Five JH	87.5%	99.4%
Year Six HD	97.0%	99.3%



Headteacher's Special Award for 'Learning Behaviour of the Week'

'I have been noticed by an adult that is not my teacher, making the right choices in school.'	Next week's 'Learning Behaviour of the Week' is: 'I can be an independent learner.'
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Nursery BB	Cason Stevenson
Reception LA	Lara Lafferty
Reception PS	Gianna Sequeira
Year One SC	Amy Dewhurst
Year One WO	Esme-Rose Unsworth
Year Two HS	Leo Binns
Year Two RL	Freya Cattermole
Year Three ER	Alfie Oatway
Year Three ET	Alexa Jones
Year Four JS	Oliver Miller
Year Five JH	Shantaya Greaves
Year Six HD	Mia Higgins



This week's certificate



Next week's certificate



You can do hard things.



You're brave enough to try.



You make me laugh.



You make others smile.

I'm so proud of you.

I believe in you. You're loved.

Your brain grows stronger everyday.

Learning is your superpower!

You have great ideas.

Please see our brand-new Facebook account and our X (Twitter) account for more photos of our fantastic children. Keep sending them in to show we are 'Proud to be Purple'.

Apologies that we cannot show all the photos sent into us within this newsletter! Thank you.

Thank you for taking the time to read this week's newsletter. Mr Couper-Barton (Headteacher) Please visit @MayfieldOldham and Facebook for further information and news.

