



MAYHILL JUNIOR SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been a great start to the new academic year, the children have settled well into their classes and the new routines and expectations are going smoothly.

When I previously wrote to you earlier in the term, I shared some of the developments happening at Mayhill, all of which are continuing.

Another exciting change has happened as I write this to you. Our website has been redesigned and has been launched this morning. The website has been created in line with our new school vision and is the window into life at Mayhill. We hope that you find it easier to use and are able to access all information you require.

Each year group will add achievements and information on their blogs, this will enable you to have continuous updates on what your children are accessing in school and how you can continue to support your children with their learning. In addition, the school calendar will be accessible informing you of key events.

To access the new website, please Google Mayhill Junior School. Over the coming days we will be reviewing and editing the new site so please be patient as we continue to develop this.

Further news:

This year we have 2 projects running and we really need your help.

- 1) Friends of Mayhill (FOM) have already met and have lots of exciting events planned this year. Their aim is to raise funds for the school to develop technology. The funds raised this year will go towards purchasing new IPADS to enable the children to access technology during lessons.
- 2) We want to develop the 'Secret Garden' – we raised some money last academic year, and we continue to seek grants BUT we need help to actually develop the space. If anyone has contacts or expertise in landscaping or can help with fencing, this is where we need to start. Once the space is secure and safe, we will then need help to develop the space, build planters, paint the shed, develop a mindfulness area, wildlife area etc. A list of volunteers would be amazing. Please help so we can make this happen for the children. If you are able to help us in any capacity, please email the office and we will get back to you. adminoffice@mayhill.hants.sch.uk

As the colder, damper weather is sneaking up on us, please can I ask that all children bring coats (with a hood) into school, we aim for the children to be outside for break and lunchtimes. Coats, cardigans and jumpers need to be named; our lost property is already beginning to grow.

Thank you all for your continued support and generosity. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or year group leader in the first instance. Alternatively, you can email the school office.

Kind regards,

Mrs McGillivray

KEY DATES 2023/24

September

- 29th MacMillan Cake Sale
29th Flu immunisations

October

- 5th My Happy Mind information meeting for parents 3:30pm
6th Harvest assembly for pupils. If you are able to send in any food donations, these can be brought in from 2nd October. Thank you again.
13th FOMS Bingo night
17th Year 5 Space Dome visiting the school
17th Parents Evening No 1 – 3.30 – 6.30
18th Parents Evening No 2 – 3.30 – 6.30
20th School breaks up at 3:20pm for Half Term
20th FOMS Krispy Kreme Sale
30th INSET day
31st Children return to school

November

- 1st Open Visit for Year 2 – 6pm
9th FOMS Disco Night
17th Children in Need – more information to follow
27th Stubbington Residential for year 5 & 6 pupils (for the week)

December

- 5th Lower school production. Dress Rehearsal 1:30pm & Performance 1 at 6:30pm
6th Lower school production. Performance 2 at 1:30pm & Performance 3 at 6:30pm
7th & 8th FOMS Secrets Room (Christmas gift buying)
7th Listen 2 Me concert year 5 children - 2:15pm
13th Rocksteady Concert
14th Christmas jumper day, Christmas lunch and Children to the church for Christmas service
15th Termly Awards Assembly
15th School ends at 1pm for the Christmas Break

January 2024

- 2nd INSET Day
3rd Children return to school

Making Memories, Growing Together, Loving Learning