

Celebrating our Successes

We have started our Mayfield Mentions for all learners in school. Certificates are shared weekly with learners in class and are celebrated. Our senior leadership team are sharing these successes through Twitter so that all of our families can be part of the successes of our learners.

Each class in school has an achievement book to share successes of everyone in their class. If your child has a success that you would like to share with the class, please contact the class teacher through Seesaw and we will add it to the book! Achievements can be anything from being able to tie your laces for the first time, riding a bike with no stabilisers to winning a trophy at a sporting event! We look forward to seeing these in school!

P7 Residential and Day Excursions

In line with Midlothian Council guidance and the national situation at present, no residential trips will be taking place for any pupils in Midlothian this session.

We know that this is a really exciting opportunity in Primary 7, and fully understand how disappointed our pupils will be with regards to this.

At present, no day excursions from school can take place if they involve using transport. This means that there will be no class trips at present and skiing and swimming are currently cancelled for all Midlothian schools.

As we move into 2021, and in line with the guidance we are given, we will reassess this situation.

Term Dates

Friday 16th October—End of term at normal school finish times
Tuesday 27th October—Pupils return to school
w/c 16th November—Parent Consultations start this week
w/c 23rd November—P1 Enrolment Week
Tuesday 22nd December—End of term at normal school finish times

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Welcome

Welcome to our newsletter. We have had an excellent first term back at Mayfield. Our staff team are working really hard under our current guidance to support our learners and families, and appreciate your support with this. These are unusual times and we value the support of our families as we make changes to support our learners and staff.

Our pupils have been fantastic this term. They have all coped really well with the changes linked to COVID guidance in school, and how this has impacted on their school day. Our pupils have been enthusiastic in their attitudes to learning and are making good progress. This has been fantastic to see!

We wish all of our families an enjoyable October break and look forward to seeing all of our learners back in school on Tuesday 27th October.

COVID-19 Updates

From Monday 12th October our staff in school will be wearing face coverings in line with local and national guidance. Staff need to wear these in all communal areas of the school, including corridors and the school playground.

To support our staff and minimise the risk of infection, we are actively encouraging our families to wear face coverings in the school playground when dropping off and collecting pupils. This is in line with guidance from NHS Lothian. We appreciate your support with this.

A reminder that in the school playground families should follow the 2m social distancing guidance at all times. Wherever possible, only 1 adult should accompany pupils to school to minimise adults in our playground. This again minimises the risk of infection and helps with our school remaining open for our pupils.

In times of wet weather, we are unable to accommodate pupils in the school building before their entry time at present. We understand that this is really difficult but we are unable to accommodate large groups of pupils from different classes within the school building due to our restrictions in mixing classes. Please bring children to school as close to their start time as possible in such weather.

If your child has any of the COVID-19 symptoms, we urge you to contact the school as soon as possible and ensure your child has a test.

A reminder that symptoms are:

High temperature

A new, continuous cough

A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Please note that if a family member in your household develops symptoms, children should not come in to school until a test has been administered and negative result given. In this situation, please contact the school office as this can change a cause for absence for a child.

Staffing

Miss Gallacher is now on maternity leave. Miss Gallacher is due her baby any day, and we wish her and her partner well as they prepare for the arrival of their new bundle of joy! We will keep you updated with any news when we can!

Mr McIntyre is returning to school to our P6 class. Mr McIntyre will work with Mr Woods across this week as he gets to know the class before returning after the October holidays. We would like to thank Mr Woods for supporting the class in Mr McIntyre's absence.

Parent Consultations

Our parent consultations will take place next term. Unfortunately these cannot take place face to face in school at present. Consultations will take place via telephone and parents will be given an extended time slot of when a phone call will be made. These will take place at the end of the school day. Each class will have a different day for calls. We will give further information following the October break.

Dogs in the Playground

A reminder to all of our families that dogs are not to come in to our school grounds in the morning or at the end of the school day. This is in line with Midlothian guidance. We appreciate your support with this.