

Leadership • identity • Futures • enrichment

Newsletter Issue 1



Welcome to our first edition of our Oasis Academy Mayfield LiFe newsletter.

At Mayfield we believe that education doesn't just stop outside of the classroom. That students continue to learn in all aspects of LiFe. We are determined to ensure that we are providing opportunities for students to expand their horizons and get the best out of their time at Mayfield.

Our LiFe newsletter outlines the excellent work and activities that students have been taking part in.



Our student voice. What have the students said and how have we been working together to better develop Mayfield. This is led by our excellent student leadership team.



This is all about keeping it real and relevant to the issues and topics that young people face. This is the 1 hour a week lesson ALL students complete and the activities and speakers that come in to further understanding for students.



All things careers, further education and next steps. Our Futures section will focus on how Mayfield is a steppingstone towards a successful future. Looking at universities, colleges and even year 6 to 7 transition.



Clubs, trips and expanding our world view. Enrichment is all about what we can do outside our classrooms to further knowledge and experience. Whether it's a trip to London museums or after school maths intervention enrichment opportunities help students to progress.

Leadership

This half term we have seen the launch of our student voice drop box. Student Voice at Mayfield is exceptionally important to us and this way students can be open and honest about what they love about Mayfield and things they feel could improve. This is then taken by the student leadership team pushed into action.

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Be the Best'

Joyful Honest Considerate Kind Humble Forgiving Compassionate Determined Hopeful Patient Self-controlled In the last half term student voice highlighted a need for a drive on the positives and pushing rewards. In this light we have ensured that The Mayfield Way and our 9 Habits complement each other. We want students to embody excellent qualities at their time here to support them in their future endeavours. We want students to be PROUD of who they are. Kind to each other and Determined to do their best.

The Mayfield Way

This half term has also seen the promotion of The Mayfield Way. We have been focusing on key aspects of academy life and ensuring all of us are working together towards walking and talking The Mayfield Way **Proud. Kind. Determined**

We have so far covered, corridor culture, active listening in class, entering and exiting classrooms. All to ensure that every student feels safe and supported every day.

Student Leadership—Antibullying

The student leadership team have been present in the agora listening to student voice and supporting students through their anti-bullying training.

We want to thank our student leadership team for their commitment in helping make the world a better and more understanding place!



Where to find help..



Speak to your Assistant Head of Year.

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Text YM to 85258 by visiting www.Kooth.com

Text Young Minds if you a in Crisis



in touch using your iPad

Mnyfield teachers and staff we always willing to listen.



Leadership



Student Leadership



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Year 9 BUZZ drugs and alcohol workshops

No limits have been delivery drugs and alcohol workshops to our year 9 students. These look at the impact of drugs and alcohol and involve interactive sessions, trying out drunk goggles and discussing how to stay safe and avoid peer pressure.



Year 10 & 11 Solent University talks

Solent University have visited all of our KS4 classes to run various workshops for our students in order for them to learn about life at university, how to prepare for exams and how to revise. These sessions have been well received and feedback from our students has been positive.







Year 11 HSBC talks

HSBC have been in delivering talks to year 11 on budgets and financing. Students have enjoyed learning from the experts and we have received some great feedback from students on what they have learnt and strategies that they can use.



Year 10 & 11 SUN talks

Southern Universities network has been delivering workshops to our students looking at learning styles. Research Your Options Workshops took place for year 9 & 10 and then year 11 took part in: Know Yourself: Get Career Ready Workshops. These were well received aby our students and they were a credit to us.

Year 11 CAP Money matters workshops

As a charity Southampton City Mission has seen firsthand the impact that inflation and the cost of living crisis have had on the residents of Southampton through the increased use of our food banks and market places.

They are working in partnership with CAP (Christians Against Poverty) to equip the children and young people in our communities with a better knowledge and understanding of money management, budgeting and the options available to them in times of need. The team have loved working with the current year 11's at Oasis Mayfield; their enthusiasm and participation in the activities is a credit to the school.



Year 11 Gamcare focus group

11PD were invited to take part in a focus group on Gambling awareness. Students engaged really well and we had great feedback. 'Please pass on my thanks to the students as well. They were such a credit to you and the school today and were just brilliant!



Year 9 & 10 LifeLab vaping focus group

Some of our year 9 & 10 students were asked to be part of a focus group on Vaping by LifeLab at Southampton university. They thoroughly enjoyed taking part and we received great feedback.

'I just wanted to say thank you very much for organising and helping to facilitate us coming into school to carry out the focus groups with your students. The focus groups went really well, we had some really good discussions on vaping. The students who took part were brilliant, giving some really insightful and thoughtful responses which will be so useful in helping to shape the vaping resources we produce.'





Year 10 RSE focus group

Some of our year 10 students have been asked to input into a new RSE teaching app being set up by a start-up called Curious which is a great opportunity for student voice. This is a great opportunity to be part of a new initiative and we are one of the first schools involved nationally on this. They are looking to build a board of young people who feel passionate about this and would like to have an input. Curious are working on a new approach to RSE that uses a game-based approach. They want to have young people informing the design of their game so came to share their prototype with our students and get their feedback. To learn more, visit www.learnwithcurious.com



This term has been another busy one in terms of Futures at the Academy. Every year group has been involved in activities related to Futures since the last newsletter and this will continue to high-light to our young people the opportunities available to them in the future.

Students across all year groups have had assemblies from local colleges or universities to highlight all the possible pathways when pupils leave the Academy. These include apprenticeships, with those Year 11 students interested in following this route participating in a workshop to help to make the best of their application provided by external support.

Year 7 had an interactive session with the NHS to highlight the 350+ careers available to them within the NHS. This was interactive session and allowed the pupils to highlight their knowledge and was a great myth-busting session.

Year 8 have also had a session with NHS where the focus was around sport and the volume of roles that exist within the NHS where they were broken down into smaller groups in the sports hall and

Year 9 had a session where they were provided with first aid training including CPR, basic first aid and how to use a defibrillator. The pupils had an hour session and as I am sure you would agree learnt some amazing skills for life.



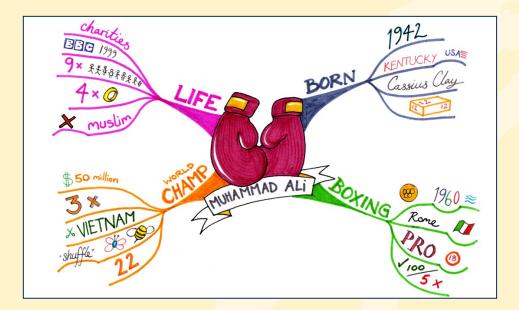
Some students visited both Solent University & University of Southampton to explore career ideas and relate these to choosing their GCSE options. They were commended on their behaviour by both institutions on the day, which reflected well for Oasis Mayfield.



Year 10 and 11 had sessions with Positively You around super speedy study skills. The students were taught how to use a mind map to revise. They all learnt a massive amount around Muhammad Ali in around 7 mins and as I am sure you saw on social media could still recall the information the following day in explicit detail.

Ask a Year 10 or Y11 what they can recall from this mind map and what it means to them – you will be amazed!





Work Experience

Year 10 are currently seeking work experience placements, with this looming over them in July. The dates for this are 3rd -7th July and students are either applying through the EBP South website or taking the initiative to organise something relevant to them. This will be a big step to understanding the world of work and the summer newsletter will have an opportunity for some student reflection on this experience. Any questions around this please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Rance Jan.Rance@oasismayfield.org



A group of 4 of our students have been working with the Dame Kelly Holmes Trust on an AQA Unlocking Potential Programme with their athlete mentor. They have been lucky enough to work with Sarah Ayton OBE who is a multiple gold medal winning Olympian in sailing. They are beginning the steps to develop a social action project around kindness with more details to follow. These students have identified how best to support their peers and I look froward to providing you with an update in the future.

DAME KELLY HOLMES TRUST

Students from the academy were also involved in some careers visits with a trip for Year 9 to Solent and Southampton Universities to explore options and Year 10 students from Computer Science and Science were invited on an Ocean Infinity trip where students had a tour of the Ocean Infinity centre and talk from some of the senior staff around their own personal career journey before being shown the control room and shown how they remotely control boats from the main site

A group of Year 10 students have been attending mentoring sessions organised through University of Oxford with two graduates, Dr Julia Nightingale and Dr Alissa Gutnikova; being made to think incredibly hard and develop strong reflective skills through their regular sessions

2 Year 10 students accompanied by Mrs Rance, our Careers Adviser, were lucky enough to have access to an aircraft carrier and below is the experience described by one of the students allowing with a few photos.



We had the excellent opportunity to go and see the HMS Queen Elizabeth in the naval port in Portsmouth. It has been an opportunity we will never forget. Seeing behind the scenes of what Navy life is like when out at sea. For me, the whole experience was one of a kind, with learning new information about the navy and seeing where they all work. On the day we saw places such as the fight deck, the bridge where the warfare officers are based, engineering, hospital and where the planes are stored. This opportunity has definitely inspired me to go in the navy as a career and has shown me what qualities and skills you need to be in the Navy'

Another busy term to come. If you have any thoughts around careers opportunities you would like us to offer please contact Mr Pearce at Neil.Pearce@oasismayfield.org

Please also get in touch if you, your business or employer can offer any opportunities to our young people with regards to careers and work experience. I look forward to hearing from you.



Year 8 Residential—Kingswood, Isle of Wight

In April, the Year 8 travelled to the Isle of Wight for three days of action-packed fun. Students experienced climbing, abseiling, 'leap of faith', nightline and archery to name a few of the activities.

There was also time for a campfire (in the rain!) a disco and other great activities during our time there.



Cultural Capital Trip—London

At the beginning of May a group of students in Year 7-10 ravelled up to our capital city for the day. London was extremely busy as it was preparing for the coronation of the King.

We spent the morning in the wonderful Science Museum where student s developed a deeper knowledge of the role Britain played in the development of science.

After that we travelled to the London Eye and as the weather was glorious we had spectacular views across the city including Houses of Parliament, Buckingham Palace, Tower Bridge and the Shard.

Year 7 Rivers trip

An exceptionally lovely day out in the New Forest building on the current Year 7 topic of Rivers. This field trip showed students how river processes can impact the larger New Forest ecosystem.







A reminder that all extra curricular clubs are displayed on the screens around the academy. If you would like an additional club please email me.



Southampton Swimming Gala-

Twelve Oasis Mayfield students proudly represented the academy in the Secondary School Swimming Gala at the Quays Swimming & Diving Complex on Wednesday 10th May. Well done to the following students: Oliver (1st place Year 7 50m Freestyle), Joshua (2nd place Year 7 50m Breaststroke), Kayden, Dylan, Isabelle, Lucy, Emma, Lily-May, Sophia (1st place Year 8 50m Freestyle & 1st place Year 9 25m Fly), Erin, William & Christian.



Southampton Mayor Making Ceremony

3 of our Year 9 Student leaders had been invited to the Southampton Mayor Making ceremony. Students were able to experience the democratic process of which our local elections take place and see the best in British politics as our 801st Lord Mayor was appointed.

A special award was also given to our own Mr Paul Woodman, for his dedication and incredible contributions to our city. Congratulations Mr Woodman!



