

## Monthly Reminders

Dinner money must be paid in advance. £2.15 per day or £10.75 per week. The office can bill payments termly if required. Don't forget to pay online using ParentPay. Ask the office for details of how to set up.

If your child is unable to come into school, please contact the school as soon as possible in the morning, before 9am registration. Please keep us informed should absences continue.

In order to keep our records up to date, let us know if there are any changes to your address or telephone numbers for both you and any other contacts. Up to date information is vital should there be an emergency and we need to contact you.

Please can ALL visitors to Mayfield report to reception to sign in and receive a visitors badge. Badges MUST be worn at all times and be visible to others.

Remember to visit Mayfield's school website! It has all the latest information. Photos are uploaded regularly into the class galleries, and the weekly blogs show all of the exciting things that the children have been doing.

[www.mayfield-special.torbay.sch.uk](http://www.mayfield-special.torbay.sch.uk)

## easyfundraising

Support the school by collecting FREE donations every time you shop!  
Download the app or search [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk).  
Support Mayfield School Torquay

**£51.08** raised so far



Are you looking for a venue for your child's birthday party? Why not hire out our school hall! Please call the school to book now

01803 328375



We are looking for enthusiastic members for our new fundraising committee to help organise and run activities throughout the year. If you are interested please contact Helen at the school.

[helen.mothersdill@mayfield-special.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:helen.mothersdill@mayfield-special.torbay.sch.uk)



# MAYFIELD NEWS



Summer 1 2018

## Welcome

Dear Parents and Friends,

This has been a very busy half term with several residential experiences and creative arts week. We welcomed 4 new pupils into the school and are expecting a 5th after the break. The coming half term is going to be yet another busy one so there will be many opportunities for you to visit the school. There will be the garden party, sports day, parent's evening and leavers assembly, the dates for which are shown below and also on our website.

I wish you all a warm and sunny break and look forward to sharing the next half term with you.

Best wishes, June

### UPCOMING DATES

Monday 4th June  
First Day of Summer 2 Term

Wednesday 6th June  
SLD Kidz Day Out

Wednesday 13th June  
School Council Meeting

Monday 2nd July  
'The Wilderness' Trip, Class 18

Friday 6th July  
Reports Sent Home

Monday 9th July  
Parent's Evening

Tuesday 10th July  
Parent's Evening

Wednesday 11th July  
Garden Party

Monday 16th July  
Activity Week

Tuesday 24th July  
Leavers/Awards Ceremony

Wednesday 25th July  
Last Day of Summer 2 Term

Tuesday 4th September  
First Day of Autumn 1 Term



### Ten Tors

They did it!  
What another amazing year for our enthusiastic walkers, who pushed themselves to cross the finish line.

[Read more on pages 2 & 3](#)



### Hulk Wins 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Class 16's Hulk Scarecrow receives 2nd place at Devon County Show....

Scan to read more on our website



◆ LEGENDARY DARTMOOR ◆

# Ten Tors

THE DARTMOOR TEN TORS CHALLENGE

Let us start by saying how incredibly proud we are of this year's Jubilee Challenge Walkers! They have all showed great strength and determination from the first training walk right up to the main event. This year we had 4 groups each walking their set routes and distances. After a damp and busy evening setting up Mayfield's base camp and checking the pupils' kit bags one final time, they settled down with a hearty meal before getting a cosy nights sleep. They were woken at 5am the next morning to the sound of Chariots of Fire, and after breakfast they headed to the start line to see off the Ten Tors walkers, before setting off themselves with the other Jubilee groups. All 4 groups worked incredibly hard and as part of a team to reach the finish line. JC1 group were honoured to have the Army's Staff Sergeant, who helped push Hayden in his chair, and the Colonel who talked all about his experience with Ten Tors, join their team for a while. JC2 group had a challenging walk with plenty of fun along the way, after they 'interestingly' navigated their way around the moors! The ford crossing and checkpoints were favourite points amongst the pupils and there were plenty of well-wishers to encourage the teams. Well done to all of the pupils for successfully completing the 2018 Jubilee Challenge and receiving your medals. We can't wait to do it again next year!



JC 1 Group



JC 2 Group



JC 3 Group



JC 4 Group

## Grinagog Festival



For the second year running pupils from All Saints Babbacombe spent the day at Mayfield working with our pupils to design the Children's Trail for the Grinagog Festival. They took part in a variety of activities including music, drama and yoga. Some of the pupils from both schools then came along to the festival to take part in the carnival parade and enjoy the different activities on offer. Everyone had a fantastic time.



### Center Parcs KS2, Classes 12 & 13

Pupils from Classes 12 & 13 had an amazing time at Center Parcs. To start their journey they arrived at Longleat for a 2 hour safari. They enjoyed seeing the animals up close, but when the lions surrounded the bus they moved on quickly! After Longleat, they carried on to Center Parcs where they had some dinner and headed straight to the pool for a 2 hour swim! The next day they went back to the pool before challenging each other at crazy golf and bowling. It was a trip that was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



### Start Bay KS2, Classes 5 and 6

Some pupils from classes 5 and 6 went to Start Bay in Slapton for this year's residential trip. They arrived on Thursday and headed for the beach where they foraged for materials to create their own beach art. They thought about different objects they could find on the beach and went off on a 'treasure hunt' to find them, matching the objects to pictures and symbols. As the evening drew in, they gathered around a campfire, sharing stories and toasting marshmallows. On Friday they explored the Start Bay Centre garden hunting for minibeasts, before scaling the obstacle course. The pupils had a great few days!



# Residential Trips

Scan the QR codes to see more on our website!

### Heatree KS2, Classes 8, 9 & 10

Classes 8, 9 and 10 set off for Heatree Activity Centre, Dartmoor on Wednesday morning. Once they arrived and got settled in their rooms, they headed straight for the low obstacle course and stream for a scramble through the water! The following morning was a slightly more relaxed pace visiting the Round House, where they made crowns out of willow and mixed their own clay. The afternoon was again a hive of activity with the pupils braving the high ropes before taking to the water on kayaks. They finished the day with a hearty dinner and a good night's sleep. On Friday morning, although raining, they headed out for one last adventure before having lunch and returning to school.



### Devon Cliffs KS3/4, Classes 14 & 17

Devon Cliffs Caravan Park was Class 14 and 17's destination for this year's residential trip. They stayed for a whole week which was very exciting as many of the pupils had not stayed away from home for that long before. Pupils and staff stayed in caravans on the park, which helped the pupils to develop their living skills by preparing meals and cleaning up after dinner. During their time away, they had several day trips out including World of Country Life and Crealy which every one thoroughly enjoyed. Back at the Park, they made use of the facilities on offer, particularly the pool where they enjoyed the giant inflatables and jacuzzi areas!!





# CHESTNUT NEWS



## Heatree Adventurers

Several students and staff went to Heatree on Dartmoor for this year's residential trip. During the 3 day trip students and staff undertook lots of different activities and encouraged each other to try different things. Some activities involved getting muddy and wet which even the staff members did.

Everybody really enjoyed themselves and pupils made some lovely memories!



## Haven Banks Day Trip

A group of 10 Chestnut students enjoyed a day at Haven Banks Activity Centre. Pupils took part in various activities which included climbing, abseiling, caving, archery, and canoeing. For some students this was the first time they had ever tried these activities and they all really enjoyed them



# SIXTH FORM NEWS



The sun has shined this half term so the students have made the most of it here at the College! Let us start by saying a huge well done to our Ten Tors team this year!

All students in years 11 and 14 have successfully completed their exams and assessments within areas of Personal Progress, PSE, English, Maths and ICT accreditation and we are very proud of all they have achieved.

This half term has not only focussed on outdoor activities in the sunshine, but also in preparing our leavers for their next steps. Transition is underway and all placements are moving on well. It is always sad to see students go but we are pleased to say that they have all gained the placements they wanted and deserved. We have also started the transition for our year 11s from the main school to join the College fully in September. They are due to attend our options event after half term to make their work experience choices and the areas of the curriculum they want to focus on.

We would like to express our thanks to Julian Grant, who donated a cheque to the College, in conjunction with Winners 2000, for £500. We will be using the money donated to add a green house and some much needed tools for our budding horticulturists here at the College.

We would also like to thank Alan Tilley, Wellbeing Manager for United Response. We have been working closely with United Response to expand our offer here at the College. We now have access to the farm on the Sharpham Estate for additional animal care and outdoor education, ROC Point to act as a base for our students learning to travel safely and independently and also ROC Creative.

We hope you all have a wonderful half term.  
Regards, Rachel Hawthorne

