



Weekly News



Mayfield Primary School, Lytham St Annes

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SOCIAL ZOOM TIME

A reminder that our social zoom time continues as planned. Links will continue to be sent out via Purple Mash in the current way. If you are struggling to find the links please email mhaythornthwaite@mayfield.lancs.sch.uk to ask for help with joining in or ask staff via the Purple Mash Q&A sessions each day. We have monitored things this week and it has gone well and **will therefore be adding sessions for year 2, year 1 and reception class from week beginning 8th February.** We will contact families about your days and times in due course.

DAYS AND TIMES

MONDAY 2.00: Mr McCabe's Class

TUESDAY 2.00: Mr Baer's Class

WEDNESDAY 2.00: Mrs Hinchliffe & Mrs Czarnecka's Class

THURSDAY 1.00: Mr Taylor's Class

THURSDAY 2.00: Mrs McLintock's Class

FRIDAY 1.00: Mrs Duerden & Mr Jolley's Classes

FRIDAY 2.00: Mrs Gaskell's Class

FORWARD PLANNING

I have provided **two weekly briefings** via our **Mayfield TV YouTube channel this week** to keep you up-to-date in a week of important information filtering through from the government. I have summarised the highlights below.

**SCHOOL WILL REMAIN CLOSED AND IN CURRENT KEY WORKER/
VULNERABLE PROVISION ONLY UNTIL AT LEAST
MONDAY 8TH MARCH.**

**WE AWAIT ANY FURTHER GUIDANCE ABOUT SCHOOL OPENING FROM MONDAY 8TH MARCH ONWARDS.
THE GOVERNMENT HAS STATED THEY WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE WELL IN ADVANCE OF THIS DATE IN
ORDER TO AID EVERYONE'S PLANS.**

**SCHOOL WILL NOT BE OPEN AT ALL DURING FEBRUARY HALF-TERM.
KEY WORKER/VULNERABLE PROVISION WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FROM
MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY—FRIDAY 19TH FEBRUARY.
PROVISION WILL COMMENCE AGAIN ON MONDAY 22ND FEBRUARY.**

**REMOTE LEARNING WILL ALSO NOT TAKE PLACE DURING THIS
HALF-TERM WEEK.**

**THIS IS GUIDANCE ISSUED IN THE LAST 24 HOURS BY THE GOVERNMENT.
WE ARE FOLLOWING THIS GUIDANCE AS WE HAVE DONE WITH ALL GOVERNMENT REQUESTS FROM THE
OUTSET OF THE PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS IN MARCH 2020, AS EVER GUIDANCE DOES NOT NECESSARILY
REFLECT THE VIEWS OF SCHOOL OR OURSELVES. WE UNDERSTAND THERE WILL BE A RANGE OF DIFFERING
PERSPECTIVES AROUND THIS MATTER.**

**FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS WILL CONTINUE TO BE ISSUED TO
FAMILIES DURING FEBRUARY HALF-TERM.**

PTO for remote learning Q&As from Spring Term Week 4



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What if work/an upload is not on purple mash on time?

This happens very rarely but if it does please bear with us, the internet and network in school are currently under additional pressure. Teachers are constantly filming input and lessons ready to upload to purple mash and they are allowing for additional upload time, but we can only go as fast as our school system will allow us to.

What if a downloaded document looks distorted on my device?

We have tried to reduce the amount of PDF and non-editable documents; however, we at school may be using a different version of word or office to you at home. This may mean that the document, when downloaded, moves around the page. We have tried locking down the content on a word document but that again will mean that the document will become non-editable. If you find that the content has moved when downloaded, we ask you to please do your best and feel free to re-move the content into any format that suits you. We appreciate that this is not ideal, it is down to unavoidable technical issues and we are trying to find a solution.

Where can I access the EYFS and KS1 Mayfield Phonics sessions?

Over the past few weeks, we have been looking into the best way to deliver phonics to our children. We have now devised a clear path on purple mash and the Mayfield phonics sessions will now be set as a 2do daily for the children.

Will I be able to see my friends?

Starting this week, teachers have begun weekly zoom calls with the children in their class. This will be at the same time slot every week. We felt that the children would be missing out on vital social learning during this time and so these zoom calls will allow for the children to see each other, talk, and interact. The zoom calls will not involve live teaching. Keep an eye on the purple mash class blog for the invite and link details.

What do I do if I need help or need to ask a question?

If it a work or lesson related question, then use the class blogs to communicate with your class teacher. If it a purple mash technical/admin/log in question then please contact the remote learning manager, Miss Haythornthwaite on: mhaythornthwaite@mayfield.lancs.sch.uk