

If you know someone who struggles to access the newsletter, please let us know so we can help them.

What a busy half term it has been! I hope you all enjoyed the Harvest Festival Concert, the children were amazing and we were overwhelmed by your generosity with your donations for the Salvation Army. We are incredibly grateful for your support in helping those in need in our wider community.

Another thank you to all of you who came to Parents Evening, we hoped you found it beneficial. If you couldn't make it and want to speak to your child's teacher, please let us know.

If you have children in year 6, you only have a few more days to apply for their secondary school place. The closing date is the 31<sup>st</sup> October. All applications should be made online at [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions)

Our Fireworks Extravaganza is on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November. It's always a fantastic night so please come along and support your PTA. Tickets can be purchased in advance or on the gate.

Don't forget, the new access arrangements for our school site will change in November so only people with a blue badge will be able to park in the car park. However, you will still be able to park at Asda or the football ground opposite.

Finally, we hope you have a wonderful break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.



### Attendance for the Month of October

EYFS	92.5%	Year 4	92.5%
Year 1	90.4%	Year 5	93.5%
Year 2	91.9%	Year 6	92.3%
Year 3	94.5%	Whole School	92.4%

Well done year 3!

To report your child's absence, please contact the school by 8:30 am.

You can phone the main office on 01255 502444, use your 'My Child at School' app or the school website.

If you are struggling with attendance or punctuality, please contact Mrs. Griffith or Ms. Walker who will be able to support you.



### Mayflower House Points

**Beach Hut**



3784

**Pier**



3690

**Lighthouse**



3632

**Port**



4050



## Monthly Assemblies



We have had some meaningful discussions in our assemblies this month. Ask your child to tell you about the stories behind our assembly pictures and how they link to our British Values.



**NO  
OUT  
SIDERS**  
'All different, All welcome'



## Tombola Donations



We are holding a non-uniform day on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November** in exchange for bringing in sweets, chocolate or savory snacks for our Tombola stall at the Fireworks Extravaganza.

Come to school in your own clothes and help us raise money for our fabulous PTA!





## School Council help Harwich Haven Authority

Earlier this half term, The Harwich Haven Authority organized a beach clean, and our School Council representatives were delighted to take part in this fantastic initiative.

It was great opportunity for the children to engage with their local environment and understand the importance of keeping our beaches clean. The students worked really hard and found an astonishing amount of rubbish during their time on the beach. Their enthusiasm made a significant difference, and they were pleased to see the positive impact of their hard work.



### *The Mayflower* L O T T E R Y

The October Mayflower Lottery is still open! This is a fantastic opportunity for our school community to come together and support our children while having the chance to win some money.

As it stands, we are well on our way to reaching £100 this month, with the winner taking home 40% of the total prize fund. This means that with £100 raised, the prize would be £40 for the lucky winner, and if we reach £200, they could win £80! It's a great incentive to get involved and support our school.

The funds raised from this lottery will directly contribute to the renovation of our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) outside area, ensuring our youngest learners have the best possible environment to thrive and explore.

Tickets are available at £2.50 each. We encourage you to share the lottery link far and wide – anyone can support the Mayflower Lottery. The more we raise, the better the outcome for the children and the more YOU could win!

Thank you for your ongoing support. Together, we can make a real difference for our school.

To purchase a ticket please follow this link <https://www.fundingwall.org.uk/members/mayflower-members-lottery> or scan the QR code below.



Thank you for your continued support, let's make our EYFS playground the best it can be!

## Is your child starting school in September 2026?

You may be starting to think about a school place for your Early Years child.

Come along and see what Mayflower Primary School has to offer you and your child.

### The Mayflower Primary School Early Years Open Days

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 1:30pm

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 11:00am

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 10:00am



Scan me to see a virtual tour of our school.



### Diary Dates



- 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> October: Non-Pupil Day**
- 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> October: Half Term**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> November: First Day of Half Term**
- 4<sup>th</sup> November: Non-Uniform Day for Tombola Donations**
- 7<sup>th</sup> November: Fireworks Extravaganza**
- 10<sup>th</sup> November: SEND Coffee Afternoon 2pm**
- 28<sup>th</sup> November: Non-Pupil Day**
- 5<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Fayre**
- 8<sup>th</sup> December: SEND Coffee Afternoon 2pm**
- 9<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS and KS1 Nativity Concert 1:30pm**
- 10<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS and KS1 Nativity Concert 10am**
- 11<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Jumper Day**
- 11<sup>th</sup> December: EYFS and KS1 Nativity Concert 10am**
- 11<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Dinner Day**
- 18<sup>th</sup> December: School Christmas Disco 4-5:30pm**
- 19<sup>th</sup> December: Last Day of Term (Early Finish 1:15pm)**

# Mayflower Primary School Firework Spectacular

Friday 7th November

Gates open 5:30pm

Display starts 7pm

Hot food

Pre sale tickets £5 or  
£6 on the gate

Rides

Bar

Pre-school children free

Candy  
floss

Tickets can be purchased from Short  
and Sweet Boutique, school office,  
MCAS and Online via link or QR  
code below.

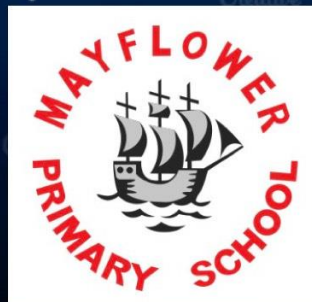
Fire  
Dancer

[https://www.fundingwall.org.uk/  
event/fireworks-co124ag](https://www.fundingwall.org.uk/event/fireworks-co124ag)

Stalls

Strictly no sparklers on site

Here is the QR code and website link.



**Dynamic**  
FIREWORKS

PIC•COLLAGE



# Discover Mahjong

## Harwich Library

Saturday 11, 18, 25 October and Saturday 1 November,  
2pm to 3:30pm

- Learn to play Mahjong
- Test your thinking and observation capabilities
- Meet other young people and make new friends
- Ideal for young people aged between 8 to 14 years old
- Booking essential - spaces are limited



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Harwich Library

Saturday's 2.30pm-3.30pm



Ask us how to book a session!





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# Rhythm, Rhyme and Rap with Christian Foley

for ages 5 to 9

Harwich Library

Saturday 25 October 10am to 11am

Step into a world of imagination with this free family session! This fun-filled hour led by the author of *The Oddsocktopus* blends poetry, freestyle rap, and storytelling to spark creativity. Book using this link.



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# Rhythm, Rhyme and Rap with Christian Foley

for ages 10 plus

Harwich Library

Saturday 25 October 12 noon to 1pm

This dynamic session from the author of *Moving Up* is perfect for older children and teens looking to express themselves through words and rhythm.

Book using this link



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25th Oct-1st Nov

# Half Term Pumpkin Trail

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Join us for half term fun this October.  
Explore the garden to find the hidden  
pumpkins.  
Kids go free!



Book admission online  
[www.bethchatto.co.uk/entrance](http://www.bethchatto.co.uk/entrance)





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  - CLACTON
  - GREAT HOLLAND

Try Karate **FREE** this half term with Links Karate.

Karate is a fantastic martial art that offers physical and mental benefits for children of all ages. We would like to offer a **FREE** trial lesson at any one of our beginner lessons. We provide a positive and supportive environment where your child can learn a new skill and have fun at the same time.

READY TO JOIN US??? 07766170848

# **HARWICH & PARKESTON YOUTH FC UNDER 7S**

**SCHOOL YEAR 2**



**THE UNDER 7S ARE LOOKING  
FOR SOME MORE YEAR 2  
CHILDREN TO JOIN OUR TEAM!**

**WE TRAIN ON FRIDAY  
EVENINGS 5.30PM-6.30PM &  
OUR MATCHES ARE ON  
SUNDAYS**

**PLEASE CONTACT  
07925700530 (TEXT OR  
WHATSAPP) OR CALL  
07908444952 (AFTER 5PM OR  
ANYTIME WEEKENDS) FOR  
MORE DETAILS**




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## Community & Family Learning Courses

### Online Courses

<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>START DATE</b>	<b>END DATE</b>	<b>START TIME</b>	<b>END TIME</b>
<b>FL MANAGING BIG EMOTIONS</b>	<b>30/10/2025</b>	<b>30/10/2025</b>	<b>19:00</b>	<b>21:00</b>
<b>FL UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN'S ANXIETY</b>	<b>31/10/2025</b>	<b>31/10/2025</b>	<b>12:00</b>	<b>14:30</b>



If you would like to enrol on to a FREE course please Visit our website [acessex.com](https://acessex.com) and type the course title in the 'Find a course...' box

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