

1st April 2022

This Week's News

- Covid Isolation Update
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- Family Forum
- PTFA
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Key Dates:

April

6th – Year 10 Parents' and Carers' Evening Online

8th – Last day of Spring Term

27th – The Blend Unlocked – Dance Production

28th – Family Forum

Covid Isolation Update

From today, routine Covid testing will no longer take place. The Government now advise that Children and young people under 18 who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay home and avoid contact with other people. They can return to school when they no longer have a temperature, and are well enough to do so. If a Covid-19 test has been taken and a positive result is displayed, children and young people under 18 should stay home for 3 days from the onset of symptoms or the positive test (whichever came first). Therefore, any student who has already completed 3 days of isolation, and feels well enough to do so, can return to College on Monday 4th April. A negative test is no longer required to end isolation. More details can be found here: [Government sets out next steps for living with COVID - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-sets-out-next-steps-for-living-with-covid-19)

Comic Relief/Ukraine Support

Thank you to all staff and students who took part in raising and donating money on the 18th March. We raised a brilliant £1801 which will be divided between Comic Relief and The British Red Cross

Uniform

We are grateful for the support all parents/carers and students have given to ensuring uniform to College is of a high standard each day. However, there has been a noticeable decline in the standard of uniform over recent weeks. Therefore, we would be grateful that all parents/carers and students revisit the uniform expectations on our website for the return after the Easter holiday. A reminder of items that are not permitted as part of the uniform are listed above. [Uniform and Personal Appearance](#)

Students may not wear:

- Canvas, open toed or backless shoes
- Leggings, jeggings or jeans (*black ECC leggings from the uniform suppliers can be worn in PE lessons only as an optional kit item*)
- Denim jackets
- Leather jackets
- Tube skirts
- Jeans, flared trousers, chinos, combat trousers. Trousers with rivets or studs, drain pipe or low waist trousers.
- Hoodies, including zip up hoodies or similar articles that could act as external coats. (*PE hoodies are only to be worn in PE lessons*)
- Socks that are any other colour than black (no logos please)
- Socks worn over tights
- Tracksuits
- Boots (including high/midtops) or trainers (except for PE -high/midtops may **not** be worn for PE)
- Hats, except if medical reasons documented to the College
- Sunglasses
- No tattoos or body art

Some items listed above will be kept safe for students by staff during the remainder of the day if worn.

Parent and Carer Questionnaire

We are always looking at ways to improve the educational experience of students in our care. We value the feedback of our parents and carers and would be very grateful if you would take a few moments to complete this questionnaire:

[Parent and Carer Feedback](#)

Family Forum

Due to staff absence we have had to postpone our Family Forum until Thursday 28th April at 5.30 – 7pm in the Telfer Centre on Gipsy lane. Spaces are limited, so if you would like to attend please complete this form [Family Forum Booking Form](#). If you have already signed up for the original date you do not need to sign up again.

Workshop with Young Devon – Understanding Anxiety and the Teenage Brain

A workshop designed to 1. Understand brain development and the 'teenage brain' 2. Understand how anxiety affects the brain and impacts day to day life 3. Explore possible triggers for anxiety 4. Learn ways of managing anxiety and offering support. Wednesday 27th April 6.30pm-7.30pm to book your space email wellbeingexmouthcc@youngdevon.org

Vacancy of the Week - Exam Invigilator Vacancies

You may have seen in the press that there is a national shortage of Exam Invigilators to oversee Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 exams. We are facing this shortage and desperately seeking Exam Invigilators to work with us for this summer exam series and beyond. Exam Invigilators earn £10.18 per hour and full training is given. No previous experience is required. If you, or anyone you know, would like to apply, please click [here](#)

We have many more career opportunities available on the Vacancies page of our website [Exmouth Community College - Vacancies](#)

Student Success

Macbeth

This week saw the return for Drama productions. Kicking off with an absolutely incredible performance of Macbeth by year 7 & 8 students. Shakespeare is a challenging script to tackle, but the understanding, expression and acting skills displayed by some of the most junior members of our College was outstanding. Mr Davis commented "It was absolutely amazing. I wasn't sure what to expect from such a challenging script but our students totally blew me away with their talent. Seeing them back onstage after 2 years of disruption and being able to show that level of confidence just shows what brilliant young people we work with". A big thank you must go to our fantastic Drama department for all their hard work, with particular mention to Mr Johnson for directing the students.

Outstanding Sport Students

Congratulations to our amazing Under 13 girls cricket team who were runners in last week's Swindon's Finals a fantastic achievement.

Principal's Award



The following students have received Principal's Awards for either earning 700 Class Charts points or in recognition for their outstanding efforts in following The ECC Way.

Lottie Favereaux
Hameedullah Qaderi
Ismat Assadullah
Jasmine Woolsey



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