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This Week's News

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Key Dates: July 18th – 19th Activity Week/Year 10 Enterprise Week 21st – Term ends at 1pm September 4th & 5th Non Pupil Day 6th Start of Term for Students

14th July 2023

The Final Week of Term

We hope that all students are looking forward to the really enjoyable last week of term that staff have organised for them. Monday 17th July is a normal day in College uniform. Tuesday through to Thursday are either Activity Week or Year 10 Enterprise Week. Please read below for more information on these events. Friday 21st July is the last day of term where students do not need to wear uniform and will be in lessons until 1pm. Those who catch the bus will be able to do so at 1.10pm.

Key Stage 3 Activity Week

We are all really looking forward to Activity Week taking place next week and spending time with students in a variety of different venues.

We have 27 different activities taking place across the week for years 7-9 (some of which year 10 are also included). These range from onsite Warhammer groups, recording studio bands, film creating to offsite visits to Woodlands, Crealy, The Aquarium, Paignton Zoo and also residential trips to north Devon and Cornwall surfing, London and Snowdonia. Do keep an eye on our social media as we aim to share as much as we can.

Please visit the Activity Week page on our website to read the programme letters explaining the key information for each trip <u>Exmouth Community College - Activity Week 2023 (exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk)</u> All activities have now been booked and paid for, we are therefore unable to facilitate any swaps or refunds.

Students do not need to wear uniform if they are taking part in Activity Week. Please ensure students are dressed appropriately for their chosen activity. All the information is in the programme letters.

Students who are onsite for activities will have access to the canteen on Gipsy Lane site to purchase food during break times as normal.

Year 10 Enterprise Week

On **Tuesday 18th July**, students have opted for either visiting The Bear Trail, participating in Sports Activities at the Exmouth Cricket Club, or will be on site with Mr Holt and staff, taking part in subject based activities, quizzes and challenges, completed in small teams, as part of a competition to win prizes!

Class Charts announcements have gone home regarding Bear Trail and Sports Activities and this has been repeated during Tutor time also, so all students should know what they are doing, times, kit required etc for these two activities.

Students remaining on site on Tuesday do not need to wear uniform, but wear clothes appropriate for a day at College, and students will be expected to register in the Canteen / Hall 4 at 8:25am, where we will put the students into Teams and will be

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given a programme for the day, with times mirroring the normal school day. During period 5, we will all return to the Canteen, to see how the students have got on and to award prizes.

On Wednesday 19th July and Thursday 20th July, all Year 10 students will be taking part in our Enterprise Days that we are really fortunate to have supported by visitors from the University of Exeter, Exmouth Town Council and the Greater Exeter Skills Partnership. A huge amount of planning has gone into these days, as you will have seen from the resources sent home on ClassCharts. Students will register in their normal Tutor Rooms, at



8:25am and will work together in Teams creating 'solution / actions' that they and we as a College community can take, to contribute to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Mr Holt is delighted that we have a video message ready to play to the students to launch the day, sent from a member of the United Nations, given from the UN Assembly Hall in Geneva, Switzerland! This is not a typical school experience, but something incredibly significant. Through participating in the Grand Challenge, in line with the University of Exeter's amazing work, the students are taking part in something that is genuinely helping to improve the world! What better way to apply your education!

Again, students do not need to be in uniform, and will follow a slightly adapted timetable, but on all days the break and lunch breaks will be of the same duration, in Hall 4 / Canteen on Gipsy Lane.

On behalf of the Year Team, thank you for your amazing support this year. We're so proud of the Year 10's hard work and engagement in their first year of their GCSE's. It was lovely to see their efforts celebrated in Ms Thorn's Assembly on Thursday, ahead of the Premier Awards in the evening, where we also celebrated their achievements.

Sports Days

A huge thank you to all students and staff who took part in, or helped make sports days such a triumph this year. Even the rain didn't stop year 9 having a morning of sport. It was wonderful to see tutor groups working hard together alongside their tutors cheering them on. A big thank you to our amazing PE Department for organising the event.



Celebrating Students

All year groups have had celebration assemblies over the last week. Heads of Year have taken the time to recognise the achievements of individuals and groups of students in their year groups. The assemblies are always a lovely event full of fun and celebration.

In addition to celebration assemblies, an ice cream van visited College today for students who have received zero negative points since September in years 7 - 10 and who have over 95% attendance at Post 16. Despite the rain, students enjoyed the delicious '99' and staff were more than happy to spend some time celebrating their brilliance. Congratulations to all these students. It is a magnificent achievement.





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Reporting Absence

To report absence please visit the Contact Us page of our website <u>here</u>. We are no longer using the form to report absence

Vacancies in College

We have a number of new vacancies advertised on our website: Here Posts Include:

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