

This Week's News

25th October 2024

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Key Dates:

October

28th : 1st Nov Half Term

November

Mon 4th: 2nd half Autumn Term starts -Week A

Wed 6th: INSET Day – No students in College (except Maths Resit exam)

Thu 13th – Year 9 Progress Evening (face to face)

Mon 18th – Year 11 Mock Exams Series starts

Tue 19th - Rotary Concert

Video message from Mr Inman

Please take a few minutes to watch Mr Inman's latest video update. He shares some important messages, including on progress to joining the Ted Wragg Trust.



Well done to our wonderful students

We want to say a big well done to our wonderful students for a really positive start to the year. The vast majority of students live our values every day. Over 90% of all ClassCharts entries have been positive this year, with over 130,000 positive points awarded already (that's an average of over 60 per student). We've been celebrating this in our Rewards Assemblies this week.

We will be further developing our rewards systems to recognise students for 'living' our values of Belonging, Ambition and Responsibility after half term.

Our Expectations – A Quick Reminder

Uniform

- ❖ As you will know, we have been asking parents and students for their thoughts about the suggestion, from our Student Ambassadors, of introducing **Blazers** as an OPTION instead of a school jumper. Thank you to all those that have responded. Final responses must be received by 1st November. The parent/carer link is [Here](#) and the student link is [here](#)
- ❖ We are proud to see that the majority of our students consistently wear the correct and approved school uniform, reflecting our shared commitment to high standards. **Thank you** for your support. However, we have noticed a small number of students who are not meeting the expectations around footwear, specifically the requirement for polishable black school shoes. Starting after half-term, any student not wearing the correct school shoes, whether due to them being broken, wet, lost, or in cases of injury, will be required to borrow a pair of loan shoes from our school hub at the start of the day. We have carefully selected and purchased these loan shoes based on feedback from our students, ensuring that they are both comfortable and appropriate for school. They will be cleaned after each use.
- ❖ We appreciate your support in maintaining our uniform standards, and we encourage all students to continue wearing their correct uniform with pride. If any student or family have financial issues relating to school uniform, please do contact your relevant year team.

Punctuality to College

- ❖ I wrote to you at the end of August outlining our college start times. A reminder that students are expected to be onsite from 8.20am and lined up ready for tutor or assembly at 8.25am.
- ❖ From the 5th November, the College gates will be closing at 8.25am, students arriving after this time will be marked as late. We are grateful for your support in ensuring students arrive on time for a positive start to the day. We know that the buses have not always run to time this term and will continue to support students where lateness caused by the buses is out of their control.

Year 9 Progress Evening

Year 9 Progress Evening takes place on Wednesday 13th November 4pm-7pm in the Elizabeth Lee Building on Green Close. Year 9 Parents and Carers will be sent details on how to book appointments using the Parents Booking system in a separate email. This is an important evening as our year 9 students start our GCSE Options Process after Christmas. Having a good idea of progress in their subjects will help inform subject choices.

Term Dates 2025-2026

These are now available to view on our website. Please note that we have aligned our term dates to match the other schools in the Ted Wragg Trust [Exmouth Community College - Term Dates \(exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk\)](https://www.exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk)

This includes a two week half term in October 2025. The extra week provides staff with an opportunity to take part in 'Investment Week', a Trust wide 3-day professional development programme to ensure staff are upskilled and given time to learn new teaching and learning strategies and keep at the forefront of educational change.

Parent and Carer Survey

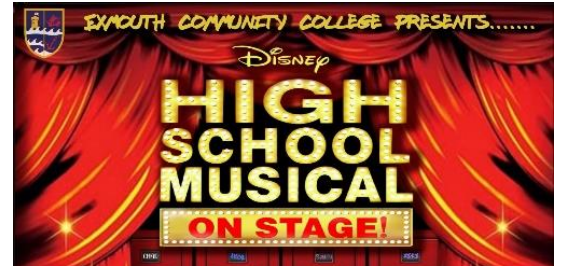
Your opinions and experiences are so important to us, we need to know what is going well and how we can do better. Please take the time to complete this survey. Every parent/carer who completes the survey will go into a draw to win a hamper. The draw will be made in December. The link - [Parent Experience Survey](#)

Breakfast is Served at the Telfer Café

We are offering breakfast for ALL year groups from 7.45am to 8.20am every day in the Telfer Cafe. There is a choice of bacon or sausage baps for £1.50 or with a drink £2.50 or a pastry for 95p.

School Production – High School Musical

We will be performing Disney's High School Musical. Tickets are on sale from Monday 4th November and can be purchased via sQuid or you can call Accounts directly on 01395 255754 to purchase over the phone. Show dates: 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th & 13th December 7pm. Once tickets have been purchased, they can be collected 24 hours later from Green Close Reception.



Rotary Concert

On the 19th November there is a Music Concert taking place in the Elizabeth Lee Theatre. It will be an evening to experience a host of talented young musicians perform for your entertainment! Tickets are available from Key Stage 3 Reception - Green Close and Garners Home Hardware - The Strand at a cost of £6 for an adult and children (U14) are £3 each. Light refreshments will be served and all monies raised will go to charitable causes. The concert will start at 7:00pm and finish at 9:00pm.



Exmouth Community College Academy Trust & Rotary Exmouth jointly present



Music Concert

Experience a host of talented young musicians perform for your entertainment!

Featuring a selection of bands, ensembles, orchestra, choirs, soloists

Tuesday, 19th Nov
in the Theatre, Green Close from 7pm

Tickets are available from
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Garners Home Hardware, The Strand

Tickets: Adult £6, Child (U14) £3
Light refreshments will be available on the night
All monies raised will go to charitable causes

Parent Help with Outdoor Education

We are really lucky to have a growing extra-curricular offer. As part of this we run Ten Tors and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Programme. For this, we need quite a lot of adult support. If any parents would be willing to support on these expeditions throughout the year, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact admin@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk to express an interest. Thank you!

Amazing Apprenticeships

This week we had Kelly from Amazing apprenticeships and Katherine from Bicton College visit Exmouth Community College to spend time with our KS4 students.

Lots of students stopped by to chat to Katherine during the lunch time 'pop-up' event and Kelly held a presentation and apprenticeship finding session for 40-year 11s who signed up to attend.

Our next event is with the RAF on Tuesday 12th November 2024.

Progress Evening Dates

A reminder that Progress Evening dates can also be found on our website here: [Progress Evening Dates](#)



Enrichment

Our enrichment timetable is now available to download from our website: [Student Enrichment and Leadership](#). Please note that sports club's timetable can be found on the 'extra' tab. A PDF of the enrichment offer can be printed off here: [Enrichment Programme 2024-25 Autumn Term](#)

Reporting Absence

Please report absence by emailing your child's Key Stage Attendance Team:

Key Stage 3 (Yrs. 7, 8 and 9) - ks3attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk

Key Stage 4 (Yrs. 10 and 11) - ks4attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk

Sixth Form (Yrs. 12 and 13) - ks5attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk

Please include your child's full name, tutor group and the concise reason for absence.

Vacancies in College

We have a number of **new vacancies** advertised on our website: [Here](#)

Not seen a job for you? Use our Talent Pool form to join our mailing list should appropriate career opportunities arise: [Exmouth Community College - Join Talent Pool \(exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk\)](#)