

This Week's News

15th November 2024

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Key Dates: November

18th – Year 11 Mock Exams Series starts
19th - Rotary Concert
20th Author Visit
21st Books and Biscuits Visit

Christmas Lunch

We will be serving Christmas lunch in the Telfer Dining Hall on Monday 16th December for Years 7 & 8, Tuesday 17th December for Years 9 & 10, and Wednesday 18th December for Years 11 to 13. Students will need to purchase tickets in advance via their Squid account. If your child has free school meals, please still use SQuid to notify us if your child would like a to have Christmas Lunch.

Attendance Policy and PM Attendance Mark

We have updated our Attendance policy. Please find it on our website here: [Microsoft Word - Attendance-Policy-Nov-24](#) We will now be registering students for their afternoon register part during period 4 (12.30pm).

Shoes

A reminder that students should wear polishable black shoes to College as part of their uniform please. Over the last few weeks we have unfortunately noticed an increase in students not wearing the expected uniform. To support students, we have purchased black polishable shoes to keep in College. If a student is in the incorrect shoes they will be asked to switch shoes for the day handing in their trainers etc. These can then be switched back at the end of the day. We will clean the shoes each night.

Blazers

Thank you for your feedback regarding Blazers becoming an option for our College uniform. Over half of our students and parents/carers expressed that they did not wish to have the added option at this time. We are therefore not planning to progress with introducing blazers as an option to our uniform.

Meet and Greet/Exit Routines

As a College we are working together to ensure we are optimising learning time whilst focusing on (and living) our core values of **B**elonging, **A**mbition and **R**esponsibility (BAR).

We talk everyday about Raising the BAR, which represents having high expectations of ourselves and believing we can all achieve these expectations by working together.

Our 3 focus this half term are:

1. Meet and Greet and Exit Routines
2. Narrating the Positive (when giving praise, being really clear about what positive behaviours we are rewarding)
3. Modelling new learning and being really clear in our explanations of new knowledge (teaching and learning focus)

This week we have revisited our expectations around Meet & Greet and Exit Routines.

In doing this we have clearly identified the expected behaviours of staff and students as laid out in our Powerful Learning Habits (you can view these in your child's homework diary). This includes staff being at their classroom doors to warmly welcome every student and ensuring they have an engaging and challenging 'Do it Now' task to focus their learning as soon as they arrive. This also includes students knowing they must walk 'with purpose' to their next lesson, reducing the risk of being late to class and missing valuable instructions and learning time. Students will be issued with a late mark and negative point if they arrive 3 minutes past the 2nd bell (we have set the timer for 3 minutes to support students who are crossing sites).

When exiting the classroom at the end of the lesson, staff will dismiss students in an orderly fashion, potentially prioritising students with adjustments and/or SEND. This in turn ensures corridors are calm and do not become over crowded.

Whilst we know this will take some time to embed across the college, these clear expectations have already improved lateness to lessons.

Remembrance Service

On Monday, students and staff paid their respects and gave thanks in memory of those who fought for our freedom and for those who lost their lives.

A 2-minute silence was held across the College, and a special service was organised by Mr Smith. Students who are part of cadets training outside of College were encouraged to attend in their uniforms and students whose family members are in the armed forces were invited to the beautiful service in our war memorial garden.

We were extremely fortunate to welcome a military Bugler who played the last post during the service. Huge thanks to Mr Smith, Miss Prideaux and our students who took part.



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](#)



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.

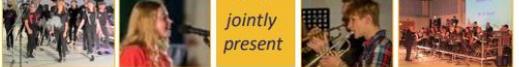


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Music Concert

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
Key Stage 3 Reception, Green Close &
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

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 \(exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk\)](#)