



## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Merry Christmas!

Exmouth Community College has embraced the festive spirit with a joyful series of Christmas celebrations. Last week, students gathered for a traditional Christmas lunch, enjoying delicious food accompanied by lively music and pulling crackers. The dining hall in Telfer was full of festive spirit and cheer. Last Thursday, the College took part in Christmas Jumper Day, raising an impressive £285 for Save the Children, showcasing the generosity and compassion of its students and staff.

This week, each House held special assemblies, highlighting the achievements of students throughout the term and fostering a strong sense of community. The assembly was brought to life by the Year 11 band performing several songs.

The Music Department joined with our local Church to host a carol service. The evening was filled with festive spirit as staff, students, and members of the community came together in song and celebration. There were performances alongside thoughtful readings by both staff and students, creating a heartwarming atmosphere that truly reflected the joy of the season.



## THIS WEEK'S NEWS

- House Celebrations
- Christmas Lunch
- Carol Concert
- Christmas Jumper Day
- Food Bank Donations
- Trampolining Success
- Cricket Success
- Bridging Curriculum
- MCAS Sign Up
- Flu Vaccinations

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

5<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
FIRST DAY OF TERM

9<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
RACING TO SCHOOL EXETER  
RACECOURSE

SAT 11<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
TEN TORS DARTMOOR WALK

14<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
YR 9 PROGRESS EVENING & OPTIONS  
FAYRE

20<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
YEAR 7 WORLDSVIEW FAYRE

24<sup>TH</sup> / 25<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
TEN TORS OVERNIGHT STAY

27<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

28<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
YR 11 PROGRESS EVENING

28<sup>TH</sup> JAN  
SIXTH FORM ROAD SAFETY DAY

7<sup>TH</sup> / 8<sup>TH</sup> FEB  
TEN TORS EXMOOR



## FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Thank you to all tutor groups who were involved in our House Food Bank Donations this term. We had tutor group 7AV2 with the heaviest box of 45.8g. As well as tutor group 9DA2 who won the best decorated box. Both of the winning tutor groups were rewarded with pizza during a period this week. Our whole College's donation was 823kg worth of food and toiletries to the local food banks. This is the single largest donation to Exmouth Food Bank in their history!! Miss Gale delivered the collected donations to the Foodbank earlier this week. Donations will stretch out well into the new year and help to feed the over 7,000 people that use the food banks each year in Exmouth. Thank you to everyone who contributed. Your generosity will make a significant difference to local families this Christmas.



## TRAMPOLING SUCCESS

Congratulations to our students who competed in the South West Schools Trampoline Championships. We had a phenomenal Regional Round of the British Schools Competition, which saw ECC bringing home 14 Gold Medals. It was an amazing weekend of results, the College won in various categories! Eden, Evelyn, Florence and Bella become South West Champions in the 10-14 intermediate girls category. As well as Benjamin James winning the Novice 10-14 boys. Truly a fantastic achievement from all students. The next round is the Southern Zonal round in January, good luck to all!





## CRICKET SUCCESS

Congratulations to our Under 13 and 15 Cricket teams who have recently competed in the Qualifying finals. Both teams played some outstanding cricket and were wonderful role models for the college, showing a real sense of belonging, teamwork and kindness.



## BRIDGING CURRICULUM

We were delighted to receive a very kind donation of books to support the Bridging Pathway curriculum. Rachel Stafford (Legal Services), kindly gifted us 20 copies of *The Twisted Tree* and *When The Sky Falls* to support our new teaching and learning schemes. The students can't wait to begin using the stories to support their reading and writing. Students wrote some amazing thank you letters for Rachel - along with the making them Christmas themed - they were very proud of the outcomes!



# FREE AFTER SCHOOL COOKING CLUB

COOKING WITH KIDS STARTS  
THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY

LITTLEHAM C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL  
1 LITLEDOWN CLOSE, EXMOUTH

3:45PM - 5:30PM

- BUILD SKILLS TO COOK NUTRITIOUS MEALS ON A BUDGET
- PRACTICAL TIPS TO HELP TACKLE FUSSY EATING AND MEAL TIME CHALLENGES
- COOK AND EAT TOGETHER

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST OR EMAIL [INFO@PROJECT-FOOD.ORG.UK](mailto:info@project-food.org.uk)



PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO LOW INCOME FAMILIES, SOVEREIGN NETWORK GROUP FAMILIES AND FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN IN KS2. HOME EDUCATORS WELCOME. PARENTS MUST ACCOMPANY THEIR CHILDREN.



CHRISTMAS 2025



at Exmouth Community College

Sports & Games Challenges Creative Arts Free Healthy Lunch Fun Activities

Activate Camps are running our multi activity camp near you this holiday!

The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme provides local authority funding for funded holiday places at our multi-activity camp, including a healthy lunch, for eligible benefits related free school meal (FSM) children. The camp is open to both paid for places and HAF funded places. **Funded places are limited.**

Venue  
Gipsy Lane, Exmouth EX8 3AF

Funded Places

Fully funded for all benefits related free school meal eligible children

Cost  
£30 per day including lunch

Times  
10am-2pm

Dates  
22nd-23rd Dec

Learn More



5-14 year olds

All camp places must be booked in advance

Limited places



[activatecamps.co.uk/haf](https://activatecamps.co.uk/haf)



## CAREER NEWSLETTER

We are excited to share our November Careers Newsletter with you. Inside, you'll find updates on upcoming events, career guidance resources, and opportunities designed to support students in planning their future pathways. Please see the attached for more information - [December Newsletter](#)

## TRAFFIC AND ROAD SAFETY

Please can we ask parents and carers to take extra care when dropping off and collecting students. The area around the Green Close site is bustling during these times, and we kindly ask everyone to be mindful of pedestrians, cyclists, and other vehicles. Let's work together to keep our students safe and prevent any accidents. Thank you for your help with this.

## UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE POLICY

Please be aware that jewellery may be worn except for one small stud in each lower ear lobe. Students will be asked to remove any other jewellery, which will be kept safe for them by staff during the remainder of the day on the first occasion, and for five days on the second occasion, and thereafter. This applies for body piercings too, no visible body piercing is allowed.

## MCAS SIGN UP

We excited to share that we are now using the MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) app to share more information with you, such as attendance, timetable and reports, the most up to date data can be found there. It is imperative that parents/carers activate this app as Progress Evening appointments are now booked via MCAS. Going forward, iPay will be replaced by MCAS and trip/Activities Week bookings will also be made via the app. If you have not received an MCAS Account link or need a new code because the original link has expired, please email [Bromcom@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk](mailto:Bromcom@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk) requesting a new code.



## NASAL FLU VACCINATIONS FOR YEARS 7-11

Any parents/carers who missed the consent process and would still like their child to receive the flu vaccine can call us on 01392 342 678. We can complete the consent form over the phone and help them book into one of our community clinics. Parents/carers who have already completed a consent form but whose child did not receive the vaccine for any reason will automatically receive an email inviting them to book a community clinic appointment.

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# General Information

## Water Supply Issue – ECC Maths Block

As you are aware the water supply in the Maths Block on our Gipsy Lane site was found to contain higher than normal traces of bacteria during routine testing in September. Since then we have been acting on advice from our specialist water hygiene contractors and the HSE. This work has entailed routine (daily) flushing of the system and periodic disinfection and re-testing. Whilst this has had a positive effect, the issue is proving to be persistent in some areas. As a consequence we have now carried out a significant number of system component replacements and are hopeful that this will finally resolve the issue. Whilst we await the latest test results, we would wish to continue to reassure everyone that the Maths Block remains entirely safe to be occupied and would like to thank all of our staff and students for their consideration and understanding.

## UNIFORM

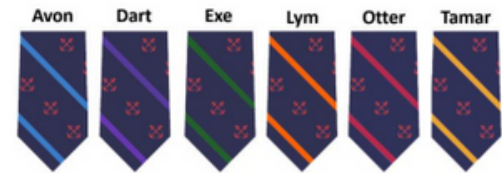
Exmouth Community College requires all students to wear the correct uniform to promote a sense of belonging, pride, and equality. The uniform includes a navy jumper with the college logo, a white shirt and a house tie, along with grey trousers or a knee-length grey skirt.

Black polishable shoes (not trainers) must be worn.

PE kit is also required for physical education lessons.

## PROGRESS EVENING DATES

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



## REPORTING ABSENCE

Please email absences before 8.15am each day your child is absent to the applicable Attendance email:

<b>Year 7</b>	<a href="mailto:Y7attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk">Y7attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk</a>
<b>Year 8</b>	<a href="mailto:Y8attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk">Y8attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk</a>
<b>Year 9</b>	<a href="mailto:Y9attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk">Y9attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk</a>
<b>Year 10</b>	<a href="mailto:Y10attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk">Y10attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk</a>
<b>Year 11</b>	<a href="mailto:Y11attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk">Y11attendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk</a>
<b>Sixth Form</b>	<a href="mailto:Sixthformattendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk">Sixthformattendance@exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk</a>

**Please include your child's full name, tutor group and the concise reason for their absence. Please email the Attendance Team **daily** even during prolonged absence.**

## Parent/Carer Key Information

For all key information on your child's year, please follow the link

<https://www.exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=3319&type=pdf>

## ENRICHMENT

Our enrichment timetable is LIVE for this new academic year so stay up to date on our website, <https://www.exmouthcollege.devon.sch.uk/parents-and-students/clubs-and-activities>. You can visit Student Enrichment and Leadership for up to date information on all the clubs and activities available for students.

## 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.

## KEEPING UP TO DATE

For daily information please visit the [Student Bulletin](#) or follow us on social media.



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