



*Welcome to this week's news:*

## ACTIVITIES WEEK

Last week, our KS3 students took part in the amazing Activities Week. From creative workshops and outdoor adventures, Activities Week saw students step outside their comfort zones, develop new skills and create lasting memories with their friends. Trips varied from residential to London and North Devon, to day trips to Crealy, Quaywest and Woodlands On-site, we held cooking classes and arts & crafts. It was an amazing end to our Summer Term for all staff and students.



## THIS WEEK'S NEWS

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## DATES FOR THE DIARY

13<sup>th</sup> AUGUST  
A-LEVEL RESULTS DAY

20<sup>th</sup> AUGUST  
GCSE RESULTS DAY

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> SEP  
NON-PUPIL DAYS

7<sup>th</sup> SEP  
START OF TERM FOR YEAR 7, 11 AND 12

8<sup>th</sup> SEP  
START OF TERM FOR ALL OTHER YEARS

14<sup>th</sup> SEP  
YEAR 10 TEMPEST PHOTO

15<sup>th</sup> SEP  
YEAR 7 TEMPEST PHOTO

24<sup>th</sup> SEP  
YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING



## WORK EXPERIENCE

Last week, around 400 of our Year 10 and Year 12 students swapped the classroom for the workplace as they embarked on their Work Experience placement. From offices and workshops to hospitals, schools and local businesses, our students gained valuable insight into the world of work while building confidence, independence and essential employability skills. They also had the chance to explore future career pathways and discover what life is really like beyond the school gates! A huge thank you to all the local businesses and organisations who welcomed our students and helped make the week such a success.



## QUAD CONCERT

The concert featured energetic performances from the Livewire band, a vibrant pop cover by Sound Wave, a stunning flute solo, and a rock number from our newest band, Oxymoron. We were also delighted to welcome back several post-16 students.



## EXMOUTH FESTIVAL

On Saturday, KS3 Dancers and Year 10 GCSE Dancers performed to rapturous applause at Exmouth Festival. All the students performed so professionally and wowed audiences with their contemporary pieces.

Year 10 performed their piece 'Shoot', which they had created during a 2-day workshop with ex-student and now professional dancer, Hattie Musgrove. It was a joy to see the performances come to life!





## INTER HOUSE SPORTS CUP

Over the past few weeks, the PE Department has been busy organising a fantastic range of House Competitions, with students competing in a variety of sports. It was great to see year groups and Houses coming together, showing teamwork, determination and plenty of House pride!



Here are the results:

- Running Challenge – LYM
- Strike & Field – AVON
- Lineball – LYM
- Athletics – LYM
- Thunderball – AVON



After some closely fought contests and outstanding participation across all year groups, the overall House Champions are... LYM HOUSE! Well done to all!



## STUDENT SUCCESS

A huge congratulations to Sid H in Year 7 on achieving his Black Belt in Karate!

Sid recently competed in the 59th Annual National Karate Championship, where he became the Boys' Under 16 Kata National Champion.



## RAMM VISIT

Our Year 12 Art students recently visited the Royal Albert Memorial Museum in Exeter, where they explored Charmaine Watkin's A Sense of Colour exhibition, textiles from around the world, studio ceramics, and the museum's collections. The visit provided inspiration for their next piece of artwork and helped develop their creative ideas.



**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 benefit related free school meal eligible children

**Cost**  
£30 per day including lunch

**Times**  
10am-2pm

**Dates**  
3rd-6th August  
10th-13th August  
17th-20th August

**Learn More**

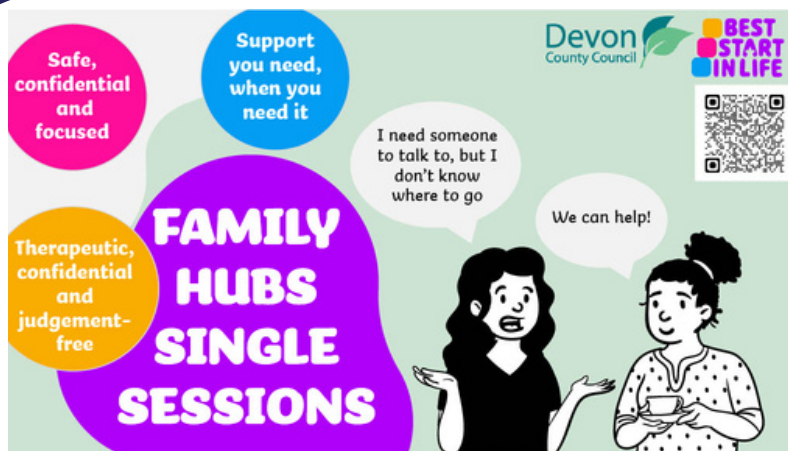


5-14 year olds

All camp places must be booked in advance



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



As we head towards the summer, we want to signpost our families to the Devon Family Hub who offer support in the form of one-off sessions and in person meetings. Please see what support you can access through their services online.

## INCREASE IN FOOD CHARGES

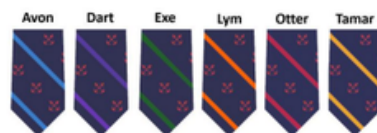
You will have noticed that we have kept food prices unchanged in the school canteens over the last couple of years, despite general inflation and significant rises in the cost of living. Unfortunately increases in the cost of food from our suppliers has meant that we have been forced to make the difficult decision to increase prices in the canteens by 5% from the Autumn Term; the Main Meal will therefore increase from £3.00 to £3.15. We feel that even with this unavoidable increase our canteens provide excellent value for money across the whole range of food that they offer. We hope that you are able to understand the need for this price uplift going forward. You can continue to be assured that we strive to obtain the best deals from our suppliers, and that by directly employing our fantastic Canteen Staff we are not contributing to the profits of a contracted service.

## 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.



## REPORTING ABSENCE

From September, all pupil absences should be reported through the MyChildAtSchool (MICAS) app or web portal. This change will help us manage attendance more efficiently and improve communication with families. Further information will be shared before the start of the Autumn Term. Please note that current year group absence email addresses will be deactivated by 17th July.

## PARENT/CARER KEY INFORMATION

For all key information on your child's year, please follow the link [Parent and Carer Information](#)

## VACANCIES IN COLLEGE

We have a number of new vacancies advertised on our website [HERE](#).

## KEEPING UP TO DATE

For daily information please follow us on social media and our website.



## Belonging

- Feeling known and valued
- Feeling safe, accepted and included
- Diversity being respected and embraced
- Being active participants
- Having a voice and pulling in the same direction



## Ambition

- Being aspirational
- Being prepared, curious and ready to engage
- Having high expectations of ourselves and others
- Developing perseverance to achieve long-term goals
- Making informed decisions about next steps
- Developing the character to face the challenge of life



## Responsibility

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