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Welcome to Jacob who has started with us in Reception and welcome to Heidi in Year 5.

Crossing Patrol

We have been in regular contact with County over the matter of the crossing patrol. They are in the recruitment process but cannot provide interim cover. They have suggested a permanent replacement may be forthcoming from our community so if there are days you feel you could support, please come and have a chat with the office or contact Colin Savage direct on 01392 383000. We will continue to chase this up with County.

Funding letters

Many thanks for getting on board and writing to Mel Stride and Cllr Alan Connett. If you have not yet done so, please do. Due to flooding his inbox, I now have a phone call booked with Mel Stride on Friday morning ahead of his meeting with the Education minister, Nick Gibb on Monday.

Year 6 Netball

Today 16 children from Year 6 took part in a netball tournament at Stover School. The children really enjoyed the experience and played exceptionally well, displaying great team skills. We are very proud of them all. A big thank you to the staff and parents who accompanied the children.



Eco Bags

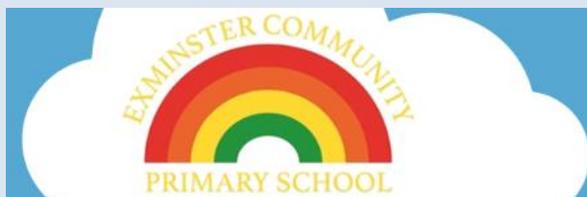
Your child will have brought an Eco Bag home before half term. All the instructions of what you can and cannot put in the bags are printed on the bags. The idea is that you have a clear out and donate what you no longer need. Please bring your bags to the outside classroom on Monday 27 February. The bags will be collected at 10.45am and weighed. Each kg then equates to funds raised for the school – the school gets £500 per tonne and everything is recycled. If you have already filled your bag, we have plenty more in the office!

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March

This year we are going to have a 'Dress Up and Guess Who' character themed event. The children can come into school wearing themed costumes for World Book Day linked to their favourite characters. If your child does not want to dress up, children do not need to wear school uniform on the day. If they would like to bring in the book in which their character is featured, then please write your child's name clearly inside.

Look out for the £1.00 World Book Day voucher that will come home with your child on 2nd March and can be used towards the purchase of a book from bookshops, Tesco or Sainsbury's





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Internet Safety – Roblox

We would like to make you aware of the site 'Roblox' which markets itself as a gaming site for children. It has more than 30 million unique monthly users. This site allows strangers to message children unless the appropriate precautions are taken. If users or parents witness any inappropriate behaviour then there is an 'abuse report' function in the game. For more information on tips for how to keep children safe online then please visit the 'Keeping Children Safe' section on our school website.

Eco Learning Team - Second Hand Book Sale

Thank you to all those people who very kindly donated and bought books at our recent sale. We raised a fabulous £84.31. The Eco Learning Team are currently liaising with Mr Slingsby as to what science equipment to buy.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are once again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. Over recent years, with your help, we have been able to supplement our sporting and cookery equipment, which helps the children learn to eat well and how to keep fit and healthy.

There is a voucher collection box outside the School Office. Please support the school's collection and spread the word to your friends and family.

Annual Parish Meeting

You are warmly invited to attend this year's Annual Parish Meeting for Exminster, which will be held at the Victory Hall on Tuesday 28 March. The evening will start from 7.15pm with cheese and wine, tea/coffee. The meeting itself will commence at 7.30pm.

The Annual Parish Meeting is very much a community meeting. It is the opportunity for the Parish Council to report to residents on what has been accomplished in the preceding year and an ideal opportunity for all to come along and share plans and visions for the coming year.

At this year's meeting we are looking forward to a talk from Richard Pike on the Nayamba School Project, something that has been supported by our Community for many years.

