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Community – Our Allotment

We are so pleased to be using our allotment up at Deepway allotments. We were kindly donated a larger plot last February and with much help, sweat and tears from parents, Mrs Pike and Mr McAlary and friends, we are now getting the full benefit from the space. I visited this week with a group from Year 3 who were fertilising and digging over the ground and then planting peas. Groups have already planted leeks, potatoes, blueberry, raspberries and strawberries. Mrs Pike has been busy planning a planting programme and children will be growing, harvesting and then eating the produce.



Community - Exeter Food Bank

Representatives from Year 4 visited the food bank at the end of last term to give in all the kind donations you made. Ellie, Billy and Scarlett (and Alex, who was ill) were a real credit to Exminster and fully embraced the Foodbank project. It was great for them to see where the food goes and how the food is distributed once it arrives at the warehouse. We collected 30.2kg of food. Thanks for all your support.

Community - Nayamba school link

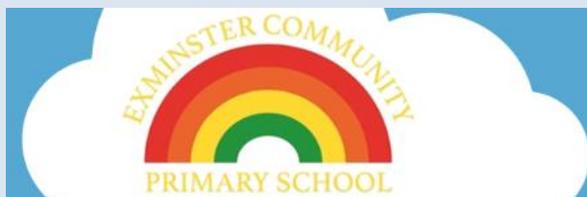
In June, I am lucky to be going out to Nayamba school with a group of teachers to work with the children and teachers. The focus of the trip is to develop the teaching and learning of reading and writing and strengthening the link between the two schools.

I am running the Plymouth half marathon this weekend in support of this charity in order to raise money for books to fill my suitcase that we will be able to donate to their library and also to raise money for the building programme (see below for more information on this). If Exminster children and myself can raise enough money, the building work may have started when I visit in June. We hope that you can get involved by the children doing their own fundraising or through sponsoring me, every little helps: <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-web/fundraiser/showFundraiserProfilePage.action?userUrl=SarahWhalley>

Further information about the project and charity (<http://nayambaschool.org/projects>): Nayamba Trust is a registered UK charity run by volunteers where every pound raised goes straight to Nayamba School, a rural free school in Zambia, that was set up a few years back for children living in the surrounding area who were previously unable to access any schooling at all. So far, the charity have helped with many projects including classroom renovations, building teachers' homes, providing solar lighting, connecting to mains electricity, drilling a borehole, creating outdoor play spaces and setting up a daily food programme so every child gets a hot meal enriched with all the essential vitamins and minerals they need to be healthy. This year the charity is planning to raise £90K to finish the building works at the school. This is a quick video explaining the fundraising effort: [100% Nayamba Campaign](#).

So how can your child help? The school desperately needs classrooms and we thought it would be amazing if a classroom (or 2!) could be built solely thanks to the fundraising power of local children. We need 100 Heroes to pledge to raise a minimum of £50 each and this will cover the £5000 cost of building a whole classroom. The classroom would be named the "Devon Children's Classroom" unless a particular primary school recruited 100 heroes from their own school in which case the classroom would be named after that school. At the end of last term, the children had an assembly to launch this and have received a flyer about the project.





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Please return any completed school report feedback forms to the school office.

Please would parents not leave their dogs unattended at any of the school gates. I would also remind you that dogs are not allowed in any part of the school grounds.

Class Assemblies Summer Term

Thursday 29 April	2B	Thursday 9 June	5V
Thursday 5 May	2CS	Thursday 16 June	4W
Thursday 19 May	RLM	Thursday 23 June	RGG
Tuesday 24 May	1S	Thursday 30 June	5NS
Thursday 26 May	1M	Thursday 7 July	4M

The date for Year 3's class assembly is yet to be confirmed.

Cake Stall dates for Summer Term

15 April	Year 4	27 May	Year 1
29 April	Year 3	10 June	Reception
13 May	Year 2	24 June	ESA cake sale

Devon Rotary Youth Games – Teignbridge Trials are coming soon

Children from Exminster Primary School are being given the chance to represent their District at the Devon Rotary Youth Games 2016 which will take place on Sunday 3rd July in Okehampton.

Trials are taking place throughout the District in a variety of sports from 16th April onwards at various venues starting with Gymnastics for school year 3 and 4. To book a place please visit: www.teignbridge.gov.uk/youthgames.

For information about the eligibility, rules, sports, ages, volunteering, sponsoring an event, or to find out more about the Games visit www.devonyouthgames.co.uk.

Music

Roz Lane has been teaching keyboards at the school for many years. She has a vacancy now and will have further vacancies in September, when her current Year 6 pupils have moves on. If you are interested please collect a form from the School Office.

Charity Cake Sale

Eden is an ex-student of Exminster Primary who is raising money for the Wellspring Centre in Uganda. Please come along to support him at his Spring Cake Sale at The Victory Hall this Saturday, 16th April, from 10am to 2pm. Every penny raised will be going directly to Wellspring School and Community Centre.

Exminster Summer Playscheme Family Fun Night!

Exminster Summer Playscheme is up and running again after a break in 2014 and enjoyed a successful event in 2015. This year's Playscheme is to be confirmed, but will hopefully be the week commencing August 15th. We always need to raise funds in order to keep the cost to parents to a minimum and the fun and staffing to a maximum!

Our next fundraising event will be a family fun night and beetle drive on April 29th at the Victory Hall (6-8pm). Look out for posters for more details. If you've never been to a beetle drive, do come along and give it a try. It's fast, furious fun for all the family (everyone who can count the spots on a dice can join in!). There'll be hot dogs for supper, sweets, treats and a licenced bar. We'll have Irish Bingo, a raffle and other fun and games to keep you well entertained. There will be plenty of prizes of various sizes and it's a great chance to socialise with the whole family.

We will also be running a quiz night on June 10th. Please come along and support these great events so that we can help keep costs down and run another successful Playscheme for your children to enjoy. **Please remember that Playscheme is run independently of the school.** Tickets are available from Coffee on the Corner, and queries to Anne Snell on 832763. If you can volunteer an hour of your time on the day to help, please also contact Anne as above.





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TRIAL DATES & LOCATIONS

This is your chance to be a part of the Teignbridge Teams that will take part in the Devon Youth Games on Sunday 3rd July in Okehampton.

Entry to a trial/training session is free, but all participants must live or go to school in Teignbridge. Check out all the sports available to your school year below.

To book a place on one or more of these trials visit <https://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/youthgames>

Event & Year	Date	Time	Location
High 5 Netball Yr 5 & 6	Mon 25th April	4.30pm-6.00pm	Teign School
Mixed Boccia Yr 7-13	Mon 25th April	4.30pm-5.30pm	Teign School
Mixed (Touch) Rugby 7's Yr 10-13	Mon 25th April	4.30pm-6.00pm	Teign School
Netball Yr 11-13	Tues 26th April	4.30pm-6.00pm	Teign School
Girls Football Yr 8 & 9	Tues 26th April	4.30pm-6.00pm	Teign School
Girls Football Yr 10 & 11	Tues 26th April	4.30pm-6.00pm	Teign School
Sports Hall Athletics Yr 4-6	Weds 27th April	4.00pm-5.30pm	Teign School
Boys Badminton Yr 7-9	Thurs 28th April	4.30pm-5.15pm	Teign School
Girls Badminton Yr 7-9	Thurs 28th April	5.15pm-6.00pm	Teign School
Mixed Tag Rugby Yr 5 & 6	Tues 26th April	4.15pm-5.30pm	Teign School
Mini Tennis Red Yr 3 & 4	Fri 27th May & 3rd June	6.00pm-7.30pm	Dawlish, Sandy Lane, Astro Turf
Scootering Yr 5-7	Wed 18th May	4.30pm-5.30pm	The Lodge Sk8 Park
Skateboard Yr 9-11	Tues 10th May	5.00pm-6.00pm	The Lodge Sk8 Park
BMX Yr 9-11	Mon 16th May	4.30pm-5.30pm	The Lodge Sk8 Park
Mixed Triathlon Yr 7 & 8	Tue 10th May	6.00pm-7.30pm	Dawlish Leisure Centre
Mixed Triathlon Yr 9 & 10	Tue 10th May	6.00pm-7.30pm	Dawlish Leisure Centre
Mixed Kwik Cricket Yr 5 & 6	Weds 15th June	6.00pm-7.30pm	Kenn Cricket Club
Girls Hockey Yr 7-9	Tues 3rd & 10th May	6.00pm-7.00pm	Ashmoor Sports Centre Astro
Boys Hockey Yr 7-9	Tues 3rd & 10th May	6.00pm-7.00pm	Ashmoor Sports Centre Astro
Mixed Gymnastics Yr 3 & 4	Sat 16th April	1.00pm-2.00pm	Newton Abbot Gymnastics Centre, Kingsteignton
Boys Pan Disability Football (Yr 9 & 10)	Tel 01626 215611 for details		

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An open invitation to all primary students, their siblings and their parents, to join the brand new

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The Orchestra is based at Exminster Primary School. Rehearsals will be in the main hall, every Monday of term time, from 4.30 – 5.30. There is no charge for membership!

First rehearsal Monday 11th April 2016

All ages, instruments and abilities welcome!

If you or your child would like to be a part of this new venture and to ensure we have the correct music for you, please email Chris Gould:

cgmusic tuition@gmail.com with the following details:

Name.....

School attached to.....

Instrument.....

Ability level: Beginner / intermediate / virtuoso

We look forward to welcoming you to the first rehearsal.

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