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### **E-safety**

On Monday, our Key Stage Two children were given some excellent advice on how to keep safe online through a fantastic play/theatre workshop called 'Into The Net'. Theatre company 'Altereago Creative Solutions' came to school and kept the children engaged and entertained while giving them important messages about e-safety. The children should now be able to give you the answers to the following questions:

- Is it true or false that bullying people online isn't as bad as in the real world?
- What should children do if they are being bullied online?
- Why is it important to keep your personal information safe online?
- What should you do if you get that 'uh-oh' feeling online?
- Why is it important to ask permission to do things and tell a grown-up which sites you are visiting?
- Why is it important to be careful when chatting to someone you have only ever met online?
- What should you do if you have any concerns or questions?

**Roald Dahl Day** last Friday was a great success! Everyone made a huge effort and there were some fantastic costumes – both from the children and the staff. Pupils took part in some exciting activities in their year groups and we would like to thank everyone for their support with this event.

### **Shopaholic event**

This event is on Wednesday 5 October, 7pm in the school hall. Willing staff (with a little gentle persuasion) will be modelling (I use this term loosely) clothing from a range of high street brands that will be available to buy for a 40-70% discount. Tickets for the event are £5 and can be purchased from outside the school office in the mornings for the next 2 weeks. This is a school fundraising event and we will use the commission we receive plus the money from the ticket sales to go towards the traverse climbing wall that the children voted for last year. There will be a range of clothing, scarves, bags and accessories for you to buy. Bring your female family members, neighbours, teens and enjoy a retail therapy evening.

### **Tempest Photography**

Tempest Photography will be visiting the school on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September for the annual photographs.

Tempest will be in school from 8.30am onwards to take photos of families with children under school age. Please line up in the hall to take your turn. All children of school age must go to classes at 8.55am to register and may return afterwards if they still need to be photographed with their pre-school age siblings.

Whilst we endeavour to ensure children look their best, we cannot take responsibility for the hair styling and appearance of each individual child.

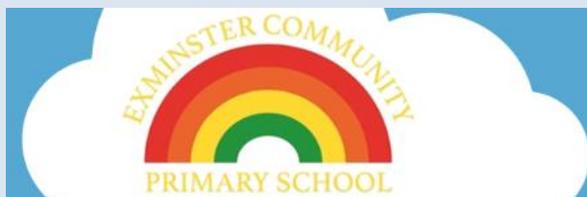
### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept we will be supporting Macmillan by holding a coffee morning in school at 9am. This will not only benefit Macmillan but will give parents a chance to catch up over a cuppa and a slice of something delicious for a good cause. We are hoping to hold the event in the outside classroom, weather permitting but in the event of rain it will be in the staffroom/hall depending on numbers. Please could you 'Bake or Fake' a cake/cakes to share.

We are asking the children to come to school in non-uniform on the day in exchange for cakes or a small donation. Within their RE and circle time sessions the children will get the opportunity to talk about charities and what Macmillan does to support people in our communities. Please keep an eye on our RE/community board situated opposite the music room where the children's work within these sessions will be displayed and with more information about the day.

Finally, after school on the day we will be holding a cake sale with any of the remaining cakes. So please, please help us to raise as much money as possible for this amazing charity.





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**Please will all parents return the Nationality and Place of Birth forms by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September.**

### **Exminster School Association**

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 27th September at the Royal Oak at 7.30 pm. We are always looking for new members and new fundraising ideas so please come along to meet us and find out how you can get involved!

Don't forget to buy your 'Shopaholics' tickets, on sale every morning outside the School Office.

### **Charity Fundraising**

On 8th October Megan in 4W will be having 12-14 inches of her hair chopped off at Exminster Hair and Beauty in aid of the Little Princess Trust. Any donations, big or small, would be greatly received and are being split between, the Make A Wish charity and Force Exeter.

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-web/fundraiser/showFundraiserProfilePage.action?userUrl=LauraJohns1>

### **From St Martin's Football Club**

Following a number of enquiries regarding Under 8 football in the village, the club is seeking someone to take on this age group. Anyone who is interested should contact Club Secretary Graham Moore for further details:

Mob: 07969789934 or E Mail: [bigwormy@hotmail.com](mailto:bigwormy@hotmail.com)

### **From St Martin's Church**

St Martin's Church has a number of events coming up shortly.

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October we will be holding our annual Festival of Harvest Flowers from 10am-5pm. There will be harvest themed flower displays, activities for children; lunches, teas and coffee. Also on Saturday there will be there ever popular visits to the top of the tower. Come and get a bird-eye view of Exminster!

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm there will be a concert in the church by the St David's Singers. Tickets, to include refreshments, cost £7 and are available on the door or by contacting Gail on 823273.

On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October we will be holding our ever-popular Quiz Night in The Victory Hall from 7-10pm. There will also be a draw and wine, beer and soft drinks will be on sale. Tickets, to include supper, cost £5 per person and can be purchased from Gail on 823273 or Anne on 832763.

### **Westbank Open Day, Saturday 24 September, 10-3pm**

Come and explore Westbank, there's lots of activities for children and adults including: fitness taster sessions, children's activities, cooking demos, crafts, music, mini fitness checks and a pop-up charity shop. In addition there will be special offers available on the day!

For more information please visit our website at [www.westbank.org.uk](http://www.westbank.org.uk)

