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Sport's day

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed their sports morning. Most years we are having to make a decision on if we think the rain will hold off but this year our focus was on gazebos! Thank you to all the parents who stepped in and helped with putting them up, trying to put them up or lending them to us! Thanks for the staff for their organisation and the children for their motivation despite such hot temperatures. A full write-up can be found by following the following link to the school website: <http://www.exminster-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/pe-and-school-sport/extra-curricular-events>

Years 3-6 are having their sports day this Friday at St Martin's football pitches, with a start time of approximately 9.40am. Parents can arrive from 9.30am. Please take any chairs should you require them and umbrellas for shade – although the forecast currently looks overcast. Please do not park within the grounds of The Westbank Centre or football club. We would encourage all parents to walk to Sports Day but on-street parking is available.

Torbay and Devon Civic Award

A huge congratulation goes to 8 of our Year 6 children who have recently completed their Civic Award. Evie, Sophie, Gina, Rhianna, Jennifer, Faye, Lizzie and Esme started the award in October and have been working hard on it over this year. There are 6 sections to complete:

1. Fundraising for a chosen charity
2. Being an active citizen in the school community
3. Being an active citizen in the local community
4. Pursuing an active hobby
5. Pursuing a non-active hobby
6. Adventure training

The children invited their Year 7 placement heads of year to share their achievements through this award plus our school governor, Gordon Peacock and myself, to hear about what the children had been working on. They all produced a file of evidence against each of these 6 areas, gave a presentation about the award and baked cakes to serve at the sharing event. Throughout the award, the girls have shown their commitment, developed confidence, started new skills and made an impact to the communities of which they are part. It is an amazing achievement. Our thanks go to Mrs Nowell, Mrs Sydenham and Mrs Jones for supporting the children and a huge well done to the children for what they have achieved in completing this and the journey they have been on. We are all very proud of them.





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Exminster School Association

Exminster School Association are holding a cake stall at 3.30pm this Friday – 23rd June. They need your help to provide as many cakes as possible. Please bring donations to the staffroom on Friday morning. Thank you.

Reports

Teachers are in the final stages of writing your child's report and these will come home to families on Monday 17 July. They are taking a different format this year for Years 1-6. We are now offering 3 appointment based family conferences per year with targets stemming from these meetings. As an end of year summary, you will receive a one page profile report of your child's strengths in their learning attitudes, English, Maths, curriculum strengths and targets for development. These will be alongside their attendance record.

Family Learning Conferences (Parents' Evenings) for Years 1-6 will take place on Monday 3rd and Thursday 6th July. A separate letter concerning this will be sent out.

Non-uniform days

We have 2 non-uniform days this half term.

1. The first one is on **Friday 30 June**. This is a fundraising event, supporting Hayden's Family Fun day on Saturday 1 July. We are asking all children to wear something RED on this day (RED representing *the heart*) for donations on this day with all monies going to support Families of Ocean Ward at Southampton hospital, supporting families where children have needed major heart surgery.
2. The second non-uniform day is **Friday 21 July** and we are asking for a donation of an (unopened!) bottle that we can sell at the summer fair – this could be wine, soft drinks, bubble baths etc.

Summer Rainbow Day

Our Summer Rainbow Day will take place on Tuesday 4th July and the theme this term is Rainbow Values. The whole school will be split into one of the seven colours of the rainbow and children will take part in seven different activities during the day. The children will be allocated their rainbow colours by the end of the week.

Future fundraising

If you are completing a personal challenge and thinking about linking it to a charity, Exminster School Association is registered charity and you can set up a fundraising page on Virgin giving. It is a great way of raising funds for the school and we can promote it within our community.

Please help us to be in for a chance to win many book tokens for our school!

Enter a draw to win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for our school - enough to buy hundreds of new books for the library. Accepted in thousands of bookshops and online, National Book Tokens are the perfect way to reward, encourage literacy and inspire a love of books.

To nominate our school to win, just fill in the form which you can get to via the link below. Many thanks for your support

Read more at <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools#.WUk-aevyvIV#2wpzj3A623uWaF2s.99>





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Forthcoming events:

Friday 23 rd June 9.30 – 11.30	KS2 Sports Day	Friday 23 rd June 3.30pm	Exminster School Association Cake Stall
Tuesday 27 th June 1.45pm	KS2 Production	Tuesday 27 th June 6pm	Starting School Meeting for September Reception Intake
Wednesday 28 th June 6pm	KS2 Production	Friday 30 th June 9.30 - 11.30	Reserve KS2 Sports Day
Friday 30 th June	Non-uniform day supporting Hayden's Family Fun Day	Friday 30 th June 6 – 6.45pm	Reception/KS1 Disco
Friday 30 th June 7 – 8pm	KS2 Disco	Monday 3 rd July 4 – 7pm	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 4 th July	Rainbow Day	Thursday 6 th July 4 – 7pm	Parents' Evening
Friday 21 st July	Non-uniform Day in return for bottles for the Summer Fair	Friday 21 st July 6 – 8pm	School Summer Fair

Exminster Summer Playscheme

Don't forget our fundraising event 'MIDSUMMER MADNESS' this SATURDAY 24TH JUNE, at the DEEPWAY CENTRE from 2pm onwards. There will be live music, barbecue, games, licensed bar and a raffle. Tickets are only £1 per person and are available from a committee member in the lower school playground before and after school for the rest of the week. (Please get your tickets beforehand if possible.) We look forward to seeing you there for what should be a fun afternoon!

From Exminster Pre-school

Following our AGM, we are delighted to announce that we have a new Committee, however we urgently need people to take on the positions of Chair and Treasurer. Please can we ask you to consider supporting our community pre-school by taking on one of these positions - our constitution states that we must have these Officers in place and pre-school can't run without them! Our Committee is voluntary run and you don't need to have any previous experience or qualifications – just a passion and desire to help us continue to develop our 'Outstanding' pre-school! We welcome members from across the community so if you would like to know more about joining us please contact Rosie Davey on rosiepyne@aol.co.uk or the pre-school Manager Leah on leahbarnes@exminsterpreschool.co.uk.

