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Transition Day: we hope that your children enjoyed their transition day to give them a taste of their new year group, the classrooms, differences in routine and their new teachers. We welcomed 48 new reception children into the school today.

We would like to say goodbye and good luck to our current **Year 6 children**. This year, the children are going off to 9 different secondary placements. They have shown real motivation and engagement towards their learning and contributed to the school as a whole through their responsibilities around school, running of clubs and supporting younger year groups in different ways. Thank you for all your hard work and good luck in the rest of your education career. We look forward to hearing all about you in the future.

A huge thank you goes to **Mrs Carol Glover** who has been teaching at Exminster for nearly 20 years. She has been a class teacher in many different year groups and our safeguarding lead. We would like to thank her for her hard work and dedication over those years and wish her luck on her next adventure.

Congratulations: this week we had a special assembly for members of staff. We would like to say congratulations to our SCITT trainees who have graduated as fully qualified teachers. We wish Mr Preston luck in his new job at Sidmouth Primary and look forward to working with Mrs Norris as part of our teaching team. Miss Stone is off to her teaching post in Stoketeignhead teaching Reception children and Mrs Shulman is going to Starcross as a learning support assistant. Thank you to all those members of staff for their work at our school.

Good luck to Miss Bevan who is getting married this summer. When she returns to school in September, she will continue to be known as **Miss Bevan**.

On behalf of all the staff, we would like to wish all of our families a restful and safe holiday. Your children have worked exceptionally hard and are ready for a break! We look forward to welcoming the children back for the Autumn term 2016 on **Monday 5 September**.

DSSP Dartmoor 3 Ball Finals

On Wednesday 13th July, 8 pupils from Year 5 and Year 6 took part in the finals of the DSSP Dartmoor 3 Ball competition. They played against Shaldon, Bradley Barton and Broadhempston and played each team twice. The children showed fantastic striking and fielding skills and worked really well as a team to get all three balls back in the bucket. The children won 4 games, drew 1 and lost 1. At the end of the afternoon, Exminster were crowned the champions and received their well-deserved gold medals and trophies. Well done to all the children who took part.

Thank you to all the parents that have helped out with transport to events this year. Without your support, we would not have been able to attend the high number of festivals and competitions that we have this year. Well done to all of the children who have taken part in any form of extra-curricular activity this year.

Author Focus Week

The week beginning 12th September is Author focus week. On Tuesday 13th September we are marking the centenary of Roald Dahl's birth by asking children to dress as a Dahl character and the children will take part in activities to celebrate his work.

From Coffee on the Corner

Coffee on the Corner will be closed from Monday 25th July till Friday 29th July due to our new kitchen refit. We will be opening again at 10am on Saturday 30th July and our Grand Re-Opening BBQ will start at 12am, so please come along.

We will then be operating our holiday hours 10am - 4pm Monday-Friday and 10am - 2pm on Saturdays throughout the summer.

From Exminster Victory Hall Trust

Please vote for us!! We are finalists in the RGB Community Fund. We would love to win and have £1000 towards new fire doors for the Victory Hall. Will you help please by emailing RGB@pmwcom.co.uk and putting "Exminster Victory Hall" in the subject box? Thank you!

Please remember you can book the hall from just £12.50 an hour to include use of the kitchen. You could club together with other parents to hire the hall for a safe, indoor run around. Why not look online at our availability and/or speak with Sarah Langmaid on **07570 084489**.
www.exminstervictoryhall.org.uk

