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Welcome to Jessica, Jessica and George (all Year 3) who have recently joined us. Welcome also to Olivia and Theo (both Year 5).

ESA meeting: the next meeting will be on Tuesday 7 November, 7.30pm at Royal Oak.

School Disco: there will be a school disco on Friday 17 November 2017 in the School Hall. Entry is £2 and various drinks, sweets and glow sticks will be on sale with prices from 50p.

Reception/KS1 – 6-6.45pm. Please enter through the main school entrance. All children will need to be collected from outside the Reception classroom, please wait inside the coloured fence. **RECEPTION CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.**

KS2 – 7-8pm. Please enter through the main school entrance. Children need to be collected from the hall side exit (opposite the Hub).

FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY children will not be allowed to go home without an adult. All children will be signed in and out so please bear with us if this takes some time.

Rainbow Cabin: the installation of our new building is well under way. Within 4 weeks, the building will be up and running.

Easyfundraising update: we now have 100 supporters and have a total of £281.17 in donations. Please make your online purchases through this site – it is no strings cash for the school. Anyone can sign up. Please share the link with a family member, friend or neighbour. Let's go for another 20 supporters in the next week.

Nayamba monthly bags project: The Nayamba Trust is excited to announce the start of a brand new project called Monthly Bags.

Shocking statistics released by the United Nations Education Agency show that one in 10 girls in Africa regularly misses school because of her period. The major obstacle for these girls is a lack of sanitary towels - they are far too expensive for families to afford. At Nayamba School in Zambia, girls miss approximately 6 weeks of school in the course of a year because they have to stay at home during their period. This is why we have set up the Monthly Bags Project. Each Nayamba School Monthly Bag comprises of a hand-made, drawstring fabric bag, containing a washable feminine hygiene kit. As soon as a female pupil needs one, we aim to be able to provide her with a monthly bag of her own and, if possible, one for her mother, sisters and aunties too! We would love volunteers in our own local community of Exminster, Exeter and the surrounding areas to help with this project. Each monthly bag will be made with love! We will run workshops and produce instruction booklets in order to train all our volunteers in how to manufacture, by hand, the monthly bags. In addition, we hope to have some of the bag contents (such as the wash cloths, moon cups, and soap) donated to us by corporations. Do you have basic machine sewing skills and access to a sewing machine? Or, are you willing to do some cutting out and ironing? Are you willing to give a little of your time, on a regular basis, to help the 163 female pupils at Nayamba School? In just 3 years of use, our monthly bags will give back to these pupils 180 days worth of education, health, safety and dignity. Your help really can make a LIFE-CHANGING DIFFERENCE to our girls. If you would like to become one of our wonderful, kind and hugely generous Monthly Bags Volunteers, please contact us using one of the methods below:

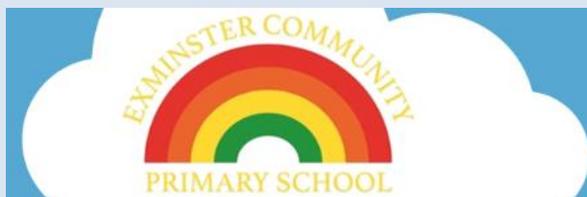
Telephone Gleny Brookes on 07702 112322

Email projects@nayambaschool.org

Join or message our **Facebook Group** called **Monthly Bags**

The next workshop/meeting will be on the 12th November 3pm until 5pm, in Immanuel Chapel (next to Berrybrook Garage). For more information about the project, use this email address monthlybags@yahoo.com





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Costume Department: A parent came to us with the great suggestion of starting a costume department for the nativity play in particular. The idea is that when children have outgrown nativity costumes parents donate them to the school for use in future years. The hope is that one day there will be enough in school and will save parents needing to make or purchase them, it is also good for the environment. If you have any that your children have already outgrown please do bring them in. If not, we would be very grateful of donations after this year's nativity.

Sports News: On Wednesday 18th October, 6 children from Key Stage 2 went to KEVICC, Totnes for a sporting event. There were different activities for them to participate in, eg. ball games, hoop games, etc. They all had a chance to gain valuable experience at interacting with children from different schools and really enjoyed themselves.

On Thursday 19th October, 6 children from Year 6 went to Stover School for a High 5 Netball Tournament. They played 4 games and came 3rd out of 5 schools overall which was really good as the standard was very high. Everybody felt very proud of their achievement.

Children in Need: This year Exminster Primary will be going spotty for Children in Need. On Friday 17th November we will have a non-uniform day in return for a donation. This year Pudsey is scouring the country for round £1 coins and we are hoping to help him. How many can we find and where is the strangest place you have found them? We look forward to seeing you, all spotty, on the day.

Parent Information Sessions: Please click on the following link for information on the workshops being organised over the winter by the Behaviour Intervention Support Network. <http://www.bis-net.org.uk/> . Please also see the attached flyers concerning Parent Information Sessions this term at Withycombe Raleigh School

ExAct – Exminster Pantomime: Don't forget that tickets go on sale on Saturday for this year's ExAct pantomime "High Noon at Creaky Bottom". It's sure to be a lot of fun, so please see the attached poster for details of where and when you can purchase tickets.

St. Martin's Church: This Saturday St Martin's is holding its Church Christmas Fayre at the Victory Hall from 10am to 12mid-day.

There will be a draw, tombola, Christmas gifts, cakes and produce, toys, craft, jewellery, books, etc. Admission is only 50p and children are free!

Please, if anybody has any toys, books and games in a good condition to donate, can they either let me know or bring them down Saturday morning anytime from 9am. Many thanks.

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