

# Exminster

## Community Primary School



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On Monday all children, from Reception to Year 6, enjoyed taking part in running the Golden Mile. The children had to try and maintain a steady pace of running for 3 or 4 minutes without stopping. The run was aimed at promoting children's positive attitudes towards physical activity. It has also helped the children to understand the physiological effects of vigorous activity on their own bodies. Hopefully the Golden Mile will become a regular event for the children every half term to celebrate their progress in their activity levels and promote active lifestyles.

Next week Year 6 are going to start producing shows for the school radio. This will consist of some interviews and live music from the children. Initially, it will start with Year 6 but hopefully they will inspire our younger children in the school. The long term plan is to broadcast on 'Playitlive' so the children will have a wider audience and the chance to learn the skills of producing and broadcasting. The Year 6 children will undergo an interview process where they will demonstrate what skills they have to offer. It is an exciting new opportunity for us in school and we are looking forward to the children leading this project and involving the school community.

Exminster School's Eco Council is made up of two children per year group. Our focus this term is paper: how much we use; how we use it and how we recycle it. In our recent meeting the children had some great ideas as to how we, as a school can reduce the amount we use. Kiya and Issy have made a poster for each class to remind them what goes in the green recycling bin, Jack and Tom have devised a rota for emptying these bins and we are asking each class to have a scrap paper drawer, for all paper that can be re-used before being recycled!

The Eco Council are very keen to share their ideas with the rest of the school and will do so after each meeting and in assemblies.

Sarah Whalley  
Headteacher

### Final Reminder for Christmas Cards

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> is the very last day for returning Christmas cards. If we have not received your cards **and payment** by end of school on Friday, I am afraid your order will not be sent off. Please check your ParentPay basket to ensure your payment has been checked out.

### Review of Medical Procedures

All children in Years 1-6 will shortly bring home a Medical Procedures Form. It is very important that these forms are completed and returned to the School Office as soon as possible. **NIL RETURNS ARE REQUIRED.**

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

On 19 and 21 October from 4-7pm, we have our parent-teacher interviews. If you haven't done so already, please make an appointment with your child's class teacher.

### Breakfast Club

Please would all parents who use Breakfast Club ensure the School Office is advised by 12 o'clock on the previous working day of any cancellations/bookings. If your child arrives for Breakfast Club and no place has been booked with the School Office, your child may be turned away if we do not have sufficient staff to maintain the correct adult:child ratios.

### Accreditations and Associations



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### Music Lessons

We currently have spaces for piano/keyboard lessons for children from Foundation upwards. Cost per term is: £145 for 30mins, £98 for 20mins or a group of 3 or 4 children £65. Please collect a music interest form from Mrs Macdonald or the office.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Exminster Scouts Firework Extravaganza

HELP NEEDED! We are looking for volunteers to help run this year's 2<sup>nd</sup> Exminster Scouts' Annual Firework Extravaganza.

This year's extravaganza will be taking place on Saturday 7th November. This is a very popular community event and to enable us to manage the growing number of visitors, we now need volunteers to help with running the BBQ and bar, marshalling, managing the gate and running children's games. You don't have to be involved with Scouts to help.

If you could spare ONE HOUR of your time between 4pm – 8pm to help with this fantastic event, please contact Pauline on 01392 824366 or email [pmaynard2000.pm@gmail.com](mailto:pmaynard2000.pm@gmail.com).

All volunteers will get to see the fireworks! Thank you for your support.

### Scholastic Book Fair

The annual Scholastic Book Fair will take place in the school hall from 3.30 – 7pm on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October and from 3.30 – 4.15 on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>. This is an opportunity to purchase great quality children's books and raise funds for the school.

### Exminster Summer Playscheme

Thank you so much to everybody who came to the quiz on Saturday. We had over 60 people, making up 11 teams, which was great. We hope to have raised a few hundred pounds, but will let you know the exact figure shortly, and this will go directly towards next year's Playscheme. Look out for details of future fundraising events, due to take place early next year!

Anne Snell  
(Committee member)

### St Martin's Church Quiz

St. Martin's Church popular **Quiz Night** will be taking place in **The Victory Hall** on Saturday 24th October from 7 pm to 10 pm. Tickets cost £5, to include supper. Wine, beer and soft drinks will be on sale. Bring a team of up to six or come on your own and make up a team. For tickets or more information please contact Gail on 01392 823273.

### From Coffee of the Corner

Are you looking for a part time job or are you interested in working without having to commute in the traffic? Maybe you would like something to fill some hours in the week or even hours around the school run. If so, joining the team at Coffee on the Corner could be for you.

If you are interested and would like more information please call in and speak to Kerry, email her at [exminstercoffeeshop@gmail.com](mailto:exminstercoffeeshop@gmail.com) or call Coffee on the Corner on 07923 502040.

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