

The EPICentre of Learning

Exminster School Association (ESA) meeting: there is a meeting **tonight in the Royal Oak at 7.30pm**. All parents are automatically a member of the ESA so please do come along and support the fundraising opportunities and ideas that raise money directly to support your children in school.

Curriculum letters: please do take a moment to look at our website and the curriculum letters on there. They give an overview of the learning that your child is doing this half term. Reception parents receive updates on Seesaw with the weekly learning and how you can support at home:

Year 1:https://www.exminster-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/year-one/y1cletters

Year 2:<u>https://www.exminster-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/year-two/y2cletters</u>

Year 3:<u>https://www.exminster-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/year-three/y3cletters</u>

Year 4:<u>https://www.exminster-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/year-four/y4cletters</u>

Year 5: https://www.exminster-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/year-five/y5cletters

Year 6:https://www.exminster-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum/year-six/y6cletters

Advice and tips for parents: Action for Children January Newsletter is packed full of useful tips and advice for parents, including a great section on SCREEN TIME: <u>https://sway.cloud.microsoft/1YuqaP0z6FbGqX61?ref=Link</u>

Bag 2 School: following on from the success of our previous donation days the Bag 2 School team are coming back again on **Wednesday 31 January** so start collecting and ask family members and neighbours to do so too! Bag2School is a great initiative by the ESA to raise lots of money for the school and all you have to do is utilise what everyone has in their wardrobes - unwanted clothes and other items!

The clothes must be brought to school on 31 January before 9am and dropped off to the outside classroom. Parents are able to bring cars down the back entrance to school on the evening before between 4pm and 6pm.

The bags will be collected and weighed and the school then receives a cheque - simple! Your child will bring home a bag in the next week or so but extra bags of your own are also welcome. The clothing will then make journeys all around the world to begin their new lives! This could be a second-hand store in Eastern Europe or a market stall in West Africa. So not only are we raising funds for the school, we're also helping contribute to the circular economy and not being wasteful - it's a win-win all round. The team accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE*: Men's, ladies' and children's clothing, paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around), handbags, belts and accessories, soft toys, household items such linen, curtains towels and bedding.

They DO NOT accept: Duvets and blankets, pillows and cushions, carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats), school uniforms with and without logo, corporate clothing and work wear and textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material. *They reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items. If you want to know more visit <u>https://bag2school.com/</u>

Headteacher: Mrs S Whalley

Dates for the future:

Thurs 8 Feb – KS2 BSO concert at The Great Hall

Wed 31 Jan – Bag 2 School collection

12-16 Feb - HALF TERM