

The EPICentre of Learning

AGM ESA meeting, Wednesday 12 February, 3.30pm, in 4BC

Join Us for the AGM – Your Voice Matters! We would like to invite you to attend our 20-minute **Annual General Meeting (AGM)**, which is happening on **Wednesday 12 February at 3.30pm** in classroom 4BC. This is an important event where we discuss the progress of our ESA and plan for the future, and **your input is invaluable**. Your children will be able to attend and there will be colouring and table activities for them to do during this time.

The **ESA (Exminster School Association)** plays a crucial role in supporting the school, fundraising for essential resources, and organizing events that benefit both the children and families. This year, the ESA has donated £9500 in order to update and add to our chrome books, these are used to enhance the curriculum across the year groups. They have also donated books to support the diversity of our text selection and it has just been agreed for a further £1500 to support this. As a parent, your involvement in the ESA is a great way to learn more about how the ESA works and how it directly impacts your child's experience at school. By attending, you'll have the opportunity to:

- Hear updates on the ESA's achievements and upcoming projects
- Ask questions and voice your opinions on key decisions
- Get involved in important matters that affect our school community

The AGM is also a chance to connect with other parents, share ideas, and strengthen the sense of community that makes our school such a great place for our children. Your participation really matters! Your voice helps guide the direction of our school's ESA, and we encourage you to be part of the conversation. We hope to see you there!

Quiz night, Friday 7 February: Pub Quiz ticket deadline extended!

The deadline for the pub quiz tickets has now been extended to **Tuesday 4**th **February**. Use this opportunity to grab hold of the last tickets!

Friday 24 Jan 2025

Next week:

Mon 27 Jan: 3pm Early Epic and Epic Eve bookings go live for Spring 2

Thurs 30 Jan: Y2 Maths workshop in the hall 2:45-3.20pm

Future dates:

Tues 4 Feb: Y3 Maths workshop 9-9.45am in the hall

Thurs 6 Feb: FLCs in school

Fri 7 Feb: ESA Pub Quiz 7.30pm The Stowey Arms -Tickets on Gateway

Mon 10 Feb: FLCs online and in school

Wed 12 Feb: ESA AGM 3.30pm in 4BC

Fri 14 Feb: Y4 Maths workshop 9-9.45am in the hall

Wed 26 Feb: Mental health workshop 9am OR 5.30pm

Thurs 27 Feb: Y5 Maths workshop 9-9.45am in the hall

Thurs 6 Mar: World Book Day

Wed 12 Mar: Y6 Maths workshop 9-9.45am in the hall

Mon 17 Mar: Online Safety Workshop 6.15pm in the hall

As well as a great quiz, a free buffet, raffles and prizes, there will be discount deals offered on bottles of wine and prosecco on the night. You don't need to book as part of a team, just come along and join in the fun. All ticket sales are going direct to the school helping us raise much needed funds for school resources, trips and activities - the recent purchase of chrome books for every child was made through ESA funds so your support is very much appreciated!

If anyone has a business which could donate a prize for the raffle, please bring this to the school on 4th February.

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Maths Workshops: We've had a great time exploring Maths fluency in Reception and Year 1 so far. The workshop will give an overview about Maths in your child's year group and also involves playing games with children in the hall which you could then play together at home.

Year Group	Maths Fluency Workshop Date
	(2.45 – 3.20 in the hall)
Y2	Thursday 30 th January

Year Group	Maths Fluency Workshop Date (9:00 – 9:45 in the hall)
Y3	Tuesday 4 th February
Y4	Friday 14 th February
Y5	Thursday 27 th February
Y6	Wednesday 12 th March

World Book Day: World Book Day is on 6th March. On this day, children will have the choice to dress as a book character or as an adjective. We don't want anyone to buy anything new and we have included some ideas on how to dress as an adjective below. The theme this year is *Read Your Way*. If you would like to take a picture of your children reading 'their way', please send these to the admin email address for the attention of Mrs Fuller. She will make a lovely display of these for us.







Exe-View: Please note the car park at the corner of Exe View/Deepway Lane is on private land and is reserved for residents of the area. It should not be used for waiting or parking during pick-up times.

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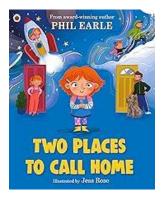


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Spring Term Family Learning Conferences: will take place on Thursday 6 February in school and on Monday 10 February in school and online. Letters have been sent by email with details of how to book.

Early Epic and Epic Eve: We are having to push back the release date of the bookings for next half term due to a calendar clash with another school event. The new release date is Monday 27 January at 3pm

Mental Health Update:



This week's update includes details about another new text we have purchased with our Rainbow Day donations. An uplifting picture book that helps young readers discuss their feelings around divorce and embrace change. Remember you can borrow any text from the Community Library on a Wednesday morning or ask at the office or class teachers.

Positive Mental Health Workshop -Wed 26 Feb: Would you like to find out about supporting your child's positive mental health and well-being? This workshop will give you the opportunity to explore how we support this in school and how you can support your child at home. If you would like to attend, please let us know using the link provided.

Wednesday 26th February 9:00am in the School Hall <u>**OR**</u> 5:30pm in the 4S classroom entering the steps next to the main entrance. We look forward to seeing you. Mrs Coville & Mrs Fuller. <u>https://forms.gle/3YJbJnteWt2Dbfwp6</u>

Back by popular demand! After such positive feedback from parents who attended our last Online Safety Workshop with South West Grid for Learning, we have decided to rebook Boris to share more of his wealth of knowledge and expertise. Save the date 17 March 6.15-7.45pm. Further information will be shared nearer to the event but if you have any questions, please email school or speak to Mr Herring.

Helpful resources: Please see the link below from Cerebra, they are a charity offering support to children living with a brain injury but their online resources may be of help to lots of families <u>January Newsflash: A treasure chest of</u> resources in our library

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