

The EPICentre of Learning



Summer fair poster design: congratulations to Katya in Y6 who was the winner of the poster design competition this year. We look forward to seeing you all then. See below as to how you can support this event.

How You Can Help

- **Year Group Stall Support:** Keep an eye out for a Google Form coming your way soon. This form will allow you to sign up for a half-hour slot helping at your child's year group stall, or to assist with setting up or clearing away. Your support makes a big difference!
- **Bake for the Cake Stall:** On the day of the fair, we'd love your delicious cake donations for our popular cake stall. Whether you're a baking pro or just enjoy whipping up a simple sponge, all contributions are welcome!

- **Create "Jazzy Jars"** in advance: Get creative before the fair by making "jazzy jars"! These are old jars filled with exciting treats like sweets, chocolates, stickers, or even colouring pencils – anything fun that fits inside! Decorate your jar to make it eye-catching and fill it with something people will love to buy.
- **Non-Uniform Day Donations (Friday, July 11th):** On the day of the Summer Fair, students can come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a donation. We're looking for bottle donations, tombola donations, or toiletry donations. These items will go directly to our fair stalls, helping us raise even more funds!
- **Year 5 & 6 Adult Stall Leaders:** We're looking for enthusiastic parents from Year 5 and Year 6 volunteers to help lead some of our stalls. If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and would like to offer to lead on these, please let the school office (admin@exminsterschool.co.uk) or the ESA (esa@exminsterschool.co.uk) know.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Staffing:

- Good luck to **Mrs Anthony** who will be starting her maternity leave with her final day of school being Monday 16 June. We wish her all the best.
- We would like to let you know that **Mrs. Perry**, who works in the school office, will be leaving today. Lucy has been a truly remarkable presence at Exminster Community Primary School for 16 years, and her connection to our school community goes back even further. We cannot thank her enough for her meticulous attention to detail and the incredible passion with which she carried out her role. Her dedication and hard work have been profoundly appreciated and valued by everyone who has had the pleasure of working with her. The children and staff will miss her enormously and wish her all the best for the future.

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Key Dates and Actions for MCAS transition:

- We have transferred July bookings for Epic clubs made via School Gateway over to MCAS.. You'll see these reflected when you log in to the app. The debt this has created will be cleared in the next few days.
- Soon July bookings will be removed from School Gateway so any new bookings for July should be made by emailing admin@exminsterschool.co.uk for this interim period
- Balance transfers (credits or debits) for Epic Clubs will be processed at the end of June. This allows June bookings to remain manageable through School Gateway. If you were charged for a booking on School Gateway, you will not be charged again on MCAS.
- Later this month, bookings for Epic Eve and Early Epic for Autumn 1 (September - October 2025) will go live exclusively through the new MCAS app. All balance reconciliations will be completed before September sessions go live, ensuring a clear overview of your account when booking.
- After-school sports clubs for September will be bookable through MCAS in July.
- All dinner money balances will be transferred from School Gateway to MCAS before we start using MCAS for lunches and we should have a date for this next week.

Friday 13 June 2025

Future dates:

Fri 27 June: Y3, 4, 5 & 6 sports morning 9:30-11:30 at St Martins-Westbank field

Fri 11 July: Summer Fair 4.30-7pm non-uniform in exchange for prizes for Summer Fair

Wed 16 July: ESA meeting at The Stowey Arms 7pm

Mon 21 July: Rainbow Day

Wed 23 July: Last day of term

Please find attached a Parent Guide for MCAS that walks you through the basic functions. It's really important that you download and log in to the Bromcom MCAS app as soon as possible. **Please note, our School Gateway account will close on June 30, 2025.**



This Summer we will be joining schools across the country to participate in 'The BIG Sport Relief Run' throughout the Summer Term!

We are challenging everyone to get active and raise money via our JustGiving page! We want your child to join us in moving as much as possible.

Pupils can contribute mileage through PE lessons, walking to school, and family walks/runs logged on class charts. Mr. Gibson will also lead a weekly 1-mile run/walk for KS2 children.

Your donations make a real difference: £5 helps a young person attend a support session, £10 provides a week of sports, and £50 covers summer hot meals. Please donate if you can, share our JustGiving page, and encourage your child's participation. Thank you for helping us feel good and do good!

<https://www.google.com/search?q=https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sr-25exminster-community-primary>

Thank You for Supporting Mental Health Workshops: We want to extend a huge thank you to one of our parents whose insightful suggestion led to the creation of our mental health workshops for all year groups, complete with

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engaging activities for the children. So far, we've successfully held sessions for Years 4, 5 and 6. The format for these workshops begins with an adults-only session where we discuss the various ways our school promotes positive mental health. This is followed by a second part where the children join in for activities alongside the attending adults. Please check out for the dates for your child's year group and consider joining us! Your participation makes a real difference.

Class	Date
Year 3	18.6.25
Year 2	25.6.25
Year 1	2.7.25
Reception	16.7.25

Weather permitting, we intend to spend time in our Nature School and Cloud 9 area. If you would like to attend, please complete this Google form and select the appropriate workshop for your child's year group.
<https://forms.gle/HSKYWBEdNJKiw3YLA>

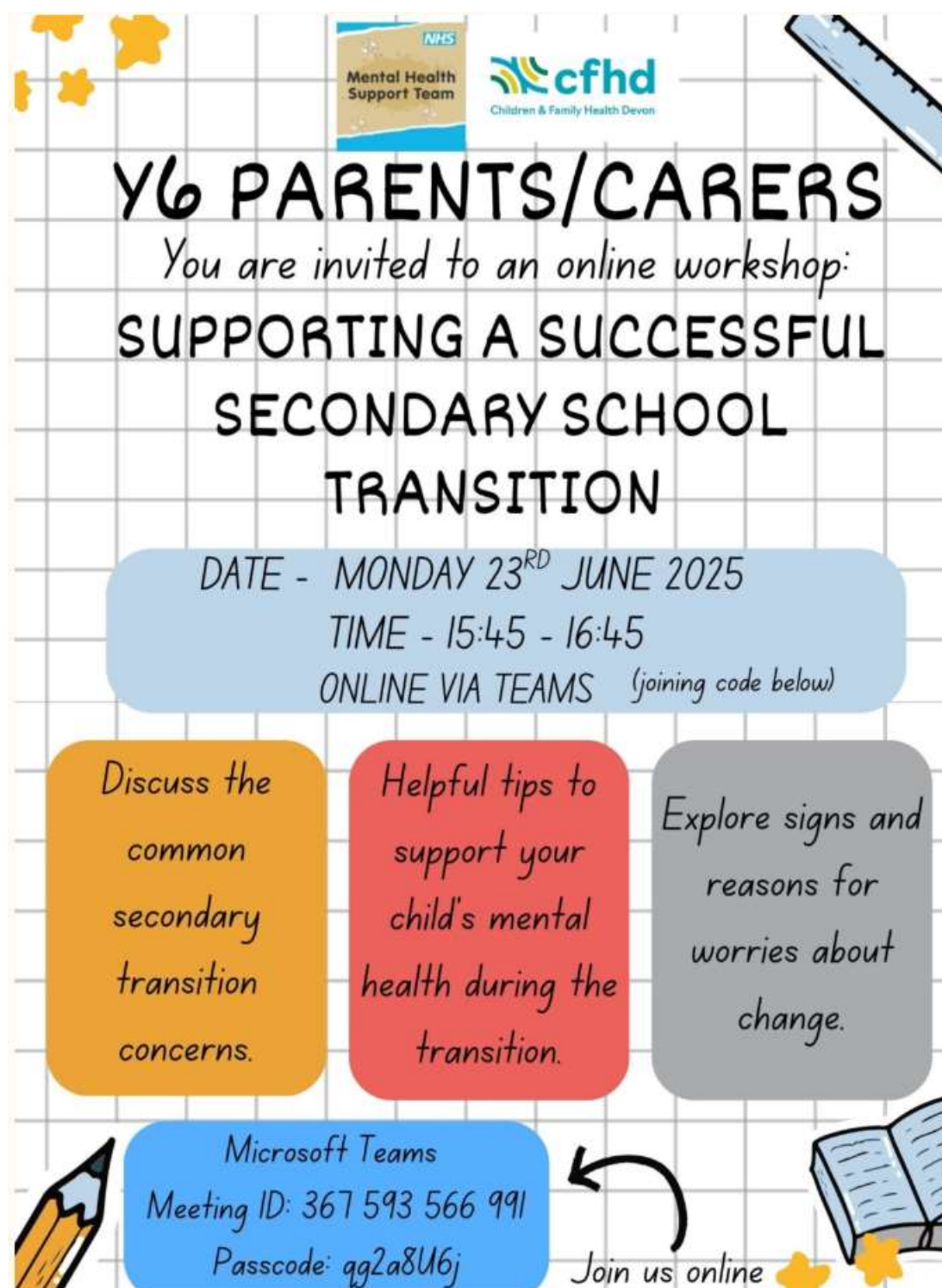
Devon with Kids: please click on the following link for the latest update of things to do in the local area

<https://preview.mailerlite.io/emails/webview/1310143/154356731059635260>

Rainbow Day Project: a quick reminder that we are looking for clean, safe recyclable items for our exciting eco-friendly project for our 'On Cloud Nine' area. Please see the attached information.

Mental Health update:





Y6 PARENTS/CARERS
You are invited to an online workshop:
**SUPPORTING A SUCCESSFUL
SECONDARY SCHOOL
TRANSITION**

DATE - MONDAY 23RD JUNE 2025
TIME - 15:45 - 16:45
ONLINE VIA TEAMS (joining code below)

Discuss the common secondary transition concerns.

Helpful tips to support your child's mental health during the transition.

Explore signs and reasons for worries about change.

Microsoft Teams
Meeting ID: 367 593 566 991
Passcode: qg2a8U6j

Join us online



The EPI Centre of Learning

The **NHS Oral Health Improvement Team** based in the Dental Access Centre in Heavitree Hospital, are hosting a **free** virtual Oral Health Improvement training session aimed at parents, teachers, carers, and anyone who works with and enables **children**.

Here are the details of this training:

When: **Wednesday 9th July 2025 at 10:00am – 11:30am**

What: **Oral Health Improvement Training – Supporting Children of All Ages**

Where: **Microsoft Teams**

How to book a place: *Please fill out our online booking form*

Booking form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/SNCW7Szqgi>

Learning Outcomes:

- Recognise how good oral health contributes to overall health and wellbeing
- Explain the consequences of poor oral health
- Identify the causes, symptoms and ways to prevent tooth decay and gum disease
- Understand the techniques needed to help children maintain good oral hygiene
- Locate the local pathways for accessing dental care

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