

**New School Menu:** We are pleased to share the new Summer menu for school lunches which is now available to order on MCAS.

**Epic Clubs for Summer 1:** a reminder that bookings for Early Epic and Epic Eve sessions for the first half of the Summer term (April - May) are now open. You can also book the after-school sports clubs for the Summer term. **Epic Eve and Early Epic can be found on MCAS under Wraparound care and the sports clubs can be found under Clubs.** Both should be paid for a point of booking either by card or voucher. If you're paying by voucher please send across a screenshot as proof of payment so we can apply the credit as soon as possible for you.

## Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026

### Future Dates

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** – Deadline for ordering school lunches W/C 30<sup>th</sup> March

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** – Science Poster competition deadline

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – Year 6 Maths Fluency Workshop

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April** – Rainbow Day and last day of Spring term

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** – Deadline for ordering school lunches for W/C 20 April

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April** – first day of Summer term



**Comic Relief:** thank you for helping us support Comic Relief today, including your donations. It's great to see the children dressed in their own clothes. We've had lots of fun listening to their jokes and sharing our own. No doubt some of these will be shared with you after school. If you would like to make donation please click on the following link [https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd26-exminster-community-primary-037963e8-9dea-4633-85e4-c7eda85abf7e?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL&utm\\_campaign=lc\\_frp\\_share\\_transaction\\_transactional\\_-\\_donation\\_received\\_-\\_ds\\_comicrelief-rednosedayprimaryschools-26\\_donationreceived](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd26-exminster-community-primary-037963e8-9dea-4633-85e4-c7eda85abf7e?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_transactional_-_donation_received_-_ds_comicrelief-rednosedayprimaryschools-26_donationreceived)

**Wednesday, 1st April:** we are celebrating our Spring Term Rainbow Day and invite the children to come in dressed in their brightest, most vibrant outfits. We are going to be focusing on our whole school theme for this term, Living in the Wider World. We will be exploring the different jobs out in the world and challenging stereotypes around them as well as learning the importance of money and how to manage it. As part of our Rainbow Day, we are asking for a voluntary donation to support our community library, with all proceeds going toward a new collection of emotions-focused books to help our young readers understand and manage their feelings.

**Smart watches:** Please be advised that smartwatches are not permitted to be worn by children at school. While we recognise the utility of these devices, they present significant challenges to the learning environment, including classroom distractions and concerns regarding digital privacy and unmonitored connectivity. We ask that all smartwatches remain at home. Children are still encouraged to wear traditional analogue or simple digital watches that do not have communication or recording capabilities. We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining a focused and secure environment for all children. If your child has a step counter and this is the only capability of the device, please get in contact with us via email or in person. Thanks in advance for your support with this.

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# The EPI Centre of Learning

**Year group maths fluency workshops:** A member of each year group team will lead a session in the hall, explaining more about maths in your child's year group and how to support with maths at home. The children will then join the session in the hall, working alongside you to complete some games and activities.

Year Group	Maths Fluency Workshop Date (2.45 – 3.20 in the hall)
R	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April
Y1	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April
Y2	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May

Year Group	Maths Fluency Workshop Date (9:00 – 9:45 in the hall)
Y3	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May
Y4	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June
Y5	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June
Y6	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March

**Exminster School Association (ESA) Annual General Meeting (AGM):** We invite all parents and carers to attend the upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM) of our ESA. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, 31 March at 8:50 AM in the Outdoor Classroom (near the back gate). Your participation is vital in helping us review the past year's successes and plan future initiatives that directly benefit our children. For your convenience, the meeting is scheduled to be very brief and to begin immediately following morning drop-off; we encourage you to head straight to the Outdoor Classroom to show your support. Whether you are a long-standing member or new to the school community, your presence and input are highly valued. We look forward to seeing you there as we work together to support our school.

**National Online Safety Guides:** Please see attached this week's guide on What You Need to Know about AI toys. Such toys can be educational and engaging but they also collect, store and process information. This should be a helpful reminder for families.

**Free Oral Health Improvement Training:** Please see attached poster for more information.

**Exeter Brick Festival** returns on 26th April at Westpoint Arena and it's gearing up to be the biggest brick-tastic celebration for LEGO fans! Book now at [www.ExeterBrickFestival.com](http://www.ExeterBrickFestival.com)

**Nayamba Auction and Dinner:** Tickets are on sale now for this fundraising event taking place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 7pm – 11pm at St Matt's Church, Exeter. Please see the attached poster for more information.

**Easter Holiday Workshop: Saturday 4 April, drop in between 11am and 2pm.** Thelma Hulbert Gallery, Dowell Street, Honiton EX14 1LX Colour and pattern an egg to add to your Easter display. Free, donations welcome.

**British Science Week Competition – Please bring in your entries by Monday 23 March:** If you have a job in the Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths (STEM) background and would be available at 3:30pm on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March for a judging panel, please get in contact through the office FAO: Mrs Chafer.

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## THE THEME!

What makes children's lives positive?  
What will a positive childhood look like in the future for children your age?

What did a positive childhood look like in the past? It might be useful to consider the past and how things have changed over time, to help you think about what could be different in the future.

### Make your poster

Once children have had the opportunity to explore the questions and collect their thoughts, it's time for them to respond by creating their own poster to present their ideas. Posters must be A4 or A3 in size and you'll need to be able to supply a 2D image of them (e.g. photo, jpeg or PDF file) so they can be sent to us online for judging. Children can use pop-up pictures, pull out tabs or materials such as pencils, paints, crayons, collage and paper to create their posters. Digitally created posters are also allowed. Shortlisted posters are often shared publicly, so please don't include any personally identifiable information such as names or photos of real people.

### JUDGING:

We will be asking all entries to be handed into school for judging by **Monday 23rd March 2026**. (These can be the physical copy of a 2D image, sent to the school).

We will be holding a judging panel that includes Mrs Chafer, Mrs Whalley, Eco Team Members and Parents from the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Background. This will take place on **Wednesday 25th March**.

The Winning posters will be announced in the celebration assembly on **Friday the 27th March**. We will then send these off for the official poster competition on behalf of the school.

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## Career Fair



We will be holding our biennial  
careers fair on

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June

2.30-3.15pm

in our school hall.

If you are interested in sharing your expertise and knowledge in your field  
of work please email

Fiona Jones [careersfair26@gmail.com](mailto:careersfair26@gmail.com)

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