



# The EPI Centre of Learning

**Summer Fair Poster Competition:** It's that time of year again! Our amazing ESA volunteers are already hard at work planning this year's Summer Fair, and we need the children's help to spread the word. The School Learning Team is officially launching our Design a Poster Competition. We want our pupils to show off their creativity and design the official advertisement for our biggest event of the summer

Design Requirements: To make sure your poster stands out, please follow these guidelines:

- Size: A4 paper.
- Format: Must be 2D (flat).
- Medium: Use anything you like! Paint, crayons, felt tips, or even collage—let your imagination run wild.

Essential Information to include: clearly display these details so our visitors know where to go:

- Date: Friday 3 July
- Time: 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM

The poster could mention the types of stalls available at the fair: the BBQ, Tuck Shop, Bar, Bouncy Castle, Games, Raffle, and Tombola!

Top Tip: Use bright colours and bold lettering so people can read your poster from a distance!

We can't wait to see the incredible talent our pupils have to offer. Good luck, everyone!

**School Sports Mornings:** We are on the lookout for two gazebos for our KS2 sports morning on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June. If you are able to help us, please contact the office.

**Music Opportunities:** We are delighted that we offer a vibrant range of peripatetic music lessons throughout the school week, providing children with the opportunity to learn an instrument while at school. Many children already have these lessons and some instruments are working a waiting list but if your child is ready to find their rhythm, please see our current schedule and booking for waiting list details below:

**Mondays: Guitar Lessons** – We currently have slots available! Bookings are managed directly through **Music Devon** - <https://musicdevon.com/>

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays: Piano Lessons** – There is currently a waiting list for these popular sessions. To express your interest, please email **Leanne Parsonage** via [exminsterpianolessons@outlook.com](mailto:exminsterpianolessons@outlook.com)

**Thursdays: Drum Lessons** – There is a waiting list for drum slots, which is also managed through **Music Devon** - <https://musicdevon.com/>

For information regarding lesson costs and scheduling, please contact **Music Devon** - <https://musicdevon.com/> or [exminsterpianolessons@outlook.com](mailto:exminsterpianolessons@outlook.com) directly to explore the available options. We look forward to hearing more music filling our hallways!

## Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026

### Future Dates

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May** – deadline for school lunches w/c 18<sup>th</sup> May

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May** – School disco

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May** – Half Term

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June** – First day of term

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup> June** – Rec and KS1 sports morning

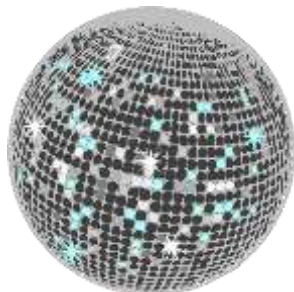
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June** – Career Fair  
2.00pm – 3.15pm

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June** – KS2 sports morning

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** – School Summer Fair  
4.30pm – 7.00pm

**Headteachers: Mrs S Whalley and Mr I Moore**

**National Online Safety Guides:** Please see attached this week's guide on What You Need to Know about the App and Play stores.



**School Disco is back! Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May: Don't forget to get your ticket.**

Please check the times as they have changed!

Reception	3.30 – 4.10pm
Years 1/2/3	4.25 – 5.10pm
Years 4/5/6	5.25 – 6.10pm

Please see the attached poster for more information. Tickets are £3 and payment should be made via MCAS under clubs. As always, we need helpers to be able to run the disco. If you can offer any help, please email [esa@exminsterschool.co.uk](mailto:esa@exminsterschool.co.uk)

**Give Our Pre-Loved Gear a Second Life:** one of the biggest contributors to a school's carbon footprint is actually the production and distribution of uniforms. From the energy used in textile manufacturing to the global shipping routes required to get a new item to your door, every new item carries a significant environmental cost. We want to change that narrative together by making pre-loved our first choice, rather than a last resort.

**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 (9:00 – 9:45 in the hall)
Y4	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June
Y5	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June

**Your Summer Fair Needs You! Friday 3 July 2026:**

As many of our parents will know, the summer fair is our biggest fundraising event of the year so it's vital for it to be a success for the benefit of all the children.

At the moment we don't have any volunteers to help at the Summer Fair. The ESA are focusing on securing volunteers to help organise each of the year group stalls, this is the foundation of the organisation and planning for the Fair.

If you would like to volunteer for this role, please fill out the Google Form for the ESA.

<https://forms.gle/4ZxfygXZKUVWDCyF9>

Why not volunteer with a friend and share the role! If you think you'd like to help but wouldn't be able to commit to a year group stall lead we would still love to hear from you so please pop your details on the form. Likewise, if you think you have a service or product, we might benefit from please complete the third section of the form.



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**Mental health and wellbeing update: The Regulation Kit** is a physical collection of items designed to engage a child's senses and help them navigate between the Zones.

## Regulation Kit: Essential Inventory

- **For the Blue Zone (Low Energy):** Fidget toys or kinetic sand to provide tactile stimulation and re-engage the senses.
- **For the Yellow Zone (High Energy/Anxious):** Weighted lap pads or liquid motion bubblers to provide grounding "deep pressure" and visual anchors.
- **For the Red Zone (Overwhelmed):** Noise-cancelling headphones to reduce sensory input or bubbles to force "stealth" deep breathing.
- **For the Green Zone (Maintenance):** Strategy cards with pictures of yoga poses or a "Feeling Thermometer" to practice identifying their current Zone.

**Pro-Tip:** Explore the kit together on a **Green Zone** day so the child knows how the tools work before they are needed.



**Let's Talk Project:** aims to empower parents and carers by raising awareness of community safety risks and challenges faced by young people. It is a free resource which has already reached nearly 10,000 people.

A new Let's Talk Website – [www.letstalksaferfamilies.org](http://www.letstalksaferfamilies.org) has been launched alongside several upcoming events for varying age groups. You can sign up to these webinars via the links below:

### [Let's Talk Primary - Let's Talk Safer Families](#)

Tuesday, 2 June 2026 19:00

Tuesday, 9 June 2026 19:00

Tuesday, 16 June 2026 19:00

### [Let's Talk Pre-Teens - Let's Talk Safer Families](#)

Tuesday, 23 June 2026 19:00

Tuesday, 30 June 2026 19:00

Tuesday, 7 July 2026 19:00

### [Let's Talk Teenagers - Let's Talk Safer Families](#)

Tuesday, 5 May 2026 19:00

Tuesday, 12 May 2026 19:00

Tuesday, 19 May 2026 19:00

**Premier Education May Half Term Holiday Club Leaflets:** Please see attached leaflet regarding the holiday clubs over the May Half Term.

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We will be holding our biennial careers fair on

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June - 2.00-3.15pm

in our school hall.

We are still looking for representatives from the:

1. Fire Service
2. Army and RAF
3. Building trades people
4. Legal practitioners

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

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