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Pupil of the week

Every Friday, teachers choose one child from their class who has shown fantastic work ethos, support to others and has contributed towards our school values of ICARE – Integrity, Creativity, Aspiration, Respect & Responsibility and Empathy. It is always a very difficult decision as there are so many children to choose from!

Friday 6th November

FS2: Zofia and Jayden

Year 1: Beatrice and Lexie

Year 2: Jasper and Alby

Year 3: Millie, Jayden and Princess

Year 4: Clyde, Darcie and Tiarna

Year 5: Harry, Denissa and Natalia

Year 6: Ella, Aimee and Charlie-Jane

Potter Class: Rachel

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FS2: Tayla and Amelija

Year 1: Robert and Gabriel

Year 2: Kaydi-Rose and Katie

Year 3: Kaisha, Sienna and Marcus

Year 4: Skye, Summer and Ashton

Year 5: Karolina, Ollie and Lexi

Year 6: Summer, Chloe and Paulo

Potter Class: Gabriel

Well done to all these children.

Key Dates this term

School closes for Christmas Friday 18th December 3.20pm

Primary application deadline—5pm January 15th 2021

Police visit

You may have noticed two policeman outside our main school gates this morning. They have visited after reports of dangerous parking outside school. Whilst they spoke to some drivers, they were more concerned about the number of pupils and parent walking out into the road in front of moving vehicles. They have asked us to remind you of the following to ensure we **keep everyone safe**:

- No cars to park on the yellow zig-zag lines – this is illegal;
- Cars to drive more slowly around entrance / exits of the school;
- All pedestrians to wait on the pavement and allow cars to pass before crossing – please remind your children of the green cross code.

They have said they will be visiting again in the near future to check everyone is kept safe.

They also commented on the number of parents who are following Government guidance wearing face coverings (thank you) and encourage those who are choosing not to, to please follow these rules to ensure we protect our community.



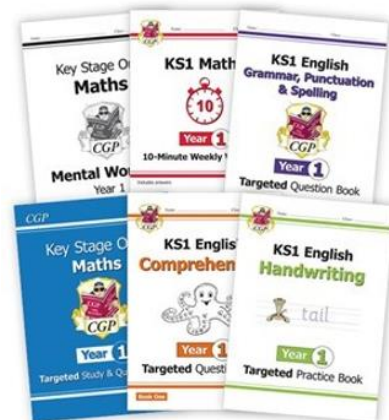


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CGP Study Books

Following the success of last terms book order (over 150 bundles purchased) these books are now available to be ordered again. If you would like to order a set of 6 work books (Grammar, handwriting, reading and 3 x maths) or the Study books – great explanations of key concepts - please go to the Gateway App and buy through the payment section. Orders close on Wednesday 2nd December, with the hope the books will be delivered for the Monday 7th December.



Gateway App Prize Drawer winner

As we are now aiming to become a paperless school, the majority of our school communication is done through the school 'Gateway App'. Here we can send you messages, set up trips for payments, clubs for your children to sign up to etc. As a thank you, we have added the names of all parents who have fully signed up to Gateway App. The family whose name was pulled out of the hat was: Kian in Turing Class.

Prize winners – Data collection and parent consent

During last half term we asked all parents to complete a data collection sheet on our website. This was to ensure that we have the most up-to-date contact details on our system. It is really important that you notify us immediately of any change to address, phone number etc.

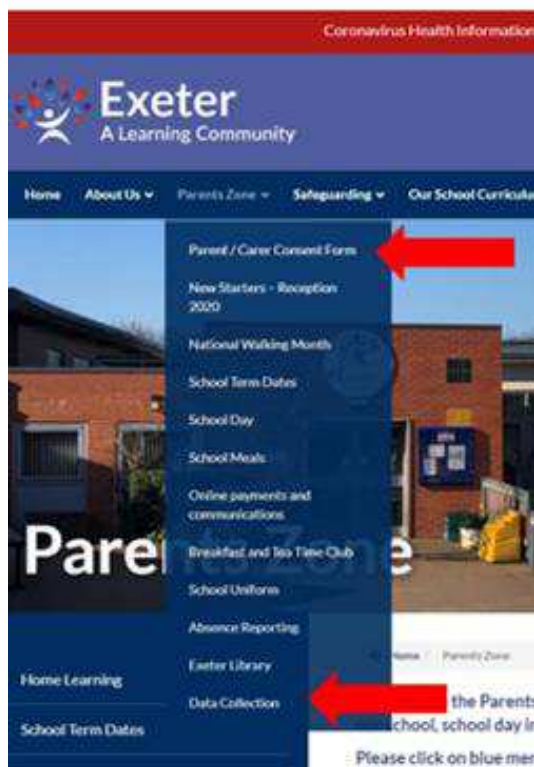
The family whose name was pulled out was: Sonia in Attenborough Class.





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Also during last half term, we asked all parents to update their consent wishes in a number of areas within school, including use of photos, internet use etc.

The family whose name was pulled out was: Karolina in Turing class.

If these parents could please contact the school office, we will get your £50 gift card to you.

If you have not yet completed any of these forms, please visit the school website www.exeterschool.co.uk

Pre-loved uniform

Following kind donations at the end of last year, we have a selection of good quality pre-loved school uniform for sale. Please contact the school office with your child's size and which items you would like and we will see if we can help.

School logo jumpers and cardigan - £3

School logo red T-shirt - £2

Plain blue jumpers and cardigans, white polo T-shirt, grey trousers, shorts and skirts 50p each.

Remembrance Day



On Wednesday 11th November we all remembered those who had fought in wars to protect our country, through a two minute silence at 11am. The children have also been learning about Armistice Day in their classes. St John's church has created a short video which respects and honours those who have made sacrifices for us. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DdZSf0L1ELw> Thank you to all of you who sent money in to purchase poppies etc, we will let you know the total once the British Legion have added it all up.

Diwali Nursery

Children in Nursery have been learning about the celebration of the Festival of Light – Diwali. This links in the ‘Understanding of the World’ aspect of the EYFS curriculum, with science links to exploring lights and colours. The children had a fantastic time learning from these experiences.



Children in Need

Today we held a multi-day to help raise money for Children in Need – a wonderful charity. Thank you for all your kind donations, we will let you know how much was raised in the next newsletter.





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Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents who spoke to their child's class teacher via phone or zoom this week. Whilst we ideally would have loved to have spoken to parents face to face, this alternative has worked extremely well and we will consider the option of telephone appointments in future parent evening weeks. If you have not yet spoken to your child's class teacher, please message them on Dojo or via the Gateway App to organise a meeting. Thank you.

PE Kits

We believe the trial of children coming in in their PE kits on their set PE days is working well, so we will continue this for the foreseeable.

Can we please remind you that PE kits consists of:

- A school red logo PE T-shirt (or plain red or white if you do not have one – no football tops please);
- Plain black shorts and jogging bottoms;
- A school jumper – no logo'd jumpers please.

Hot lunches

Half way through last half-term we were able to re-introduce hot meals to our pupils. These are to be ordered via the Kingswood website www.kingswoodcatering.co.uk by each Wednesday for the following week. School meals cost £2.30 per day or free if your child is entitled to free school meals.



Ever thought of becoming a teacher?

We are proud to be working in partnership with the Two Mile Ash Initial Teacher Training Partnership training our teachers and superheroes of the future. If you or know of anyone who may be interested in a career in teaching, visit www.mkitt.co.uk to find the right route for you.

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School Term Dates: Academic Year 2020 – 2021

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Term 1	Re-open	Thursday 3 September
	Closes	Thursday 22 October
Term 2	Re-open	Monday 2 November
	Closes	Friday 18 December

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Term 3	Re-open	Monday 4 January
	Closes	Friday 12 February
Term 4	Re-open	Monday 22 February
Easter	Closes	Friday 26 March
Term 5	Re-open	Monday 12 April
May Bank	Closes	Friday 30 April
Holiday	Re-open	Tuesday 4 May
Bank Holiday	Closes	Friday 28 May
Term 6	Re-open	Monday 7 June
	Closes	Friday 16 July