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# WhatsUp @ EXETER

### **Pupil of the week (Crew)**

#### **10.9.21**

Year 1: Sofia, Alya-Rae and Scarlett  
Year 2: Lleyton, Sebastian and Lexie  
Year 3: Layla, Adam, Kaiden and Freya

Year 4: Imogen, Denley, Lottie and Emily  
Year 5: Rishit, Lucas, Ashton and Junior  
Year 6: Olivier, Brendan, Zion and Amelia

Well done to all these children.

#### **Upcoming Dates**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Flu vaccinations

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October – school photos

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – parents evening.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – last day of term

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – first day of Autumn 2

#### **Welcome from Mr Nicholls – New Head of School**

I can't believe it is only the end of the first, full week back! I feel like I've been here for years. I am blown away with how all the children have settled into their new classes, with their new teachers and, for some, in their new classrooms. I'm most impressed with how the children have focused, straight away, on their learning, despite having 6 long weeks off. The children have made me feel welcome as part of the Exeter community and as have you, their parents. Thank you for taking time out to come and introduce yourselves and your children. Now we have settled, I cannot wait to see what your children will achieve over the next weeks and months.

Take care of yourselves and your families. Remember, please don't hesitate to contact us if you are experiencing any difficulties. Together, we can achieve the impossible!



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## Class names

This year we have decided to change our class names to reflect our local area. We have chosen names of local villages, landmarks and people. How many of these do you recognise?



Ashworth – Y6 Mrs Norris

Lampport – Y6 Miss Vorster

East Carlton – Y6 Mrs Wray

Boughton – Y5 Mr Southwell

Rockingham – Y5 Mrs Richardson

Deene – Y4 Mr Singh

Fineshade – Y4 Mrs Gotch

Harringworth – Y4 Mr Rankin

Geddington – Y3 Mrs Letts

Wakerley – Y3 Miss Esslemont

Laxton – Y3 Miss Hamilton

Welland – Y2 Miss Khan

Gretton – Y2 Miss Morrissey

Oakley – Y1 Miss McKee

Rutland – Y1 Miss Fellows

Burghley – FS2 Mrs Johnson

Medbourne – FS2 Miss Pyper

Brigstock – Nurture

Kirby – Potter



## Parents evening

This year we will be offering parents evening appointment over TEAMS, the phone or face to face – so that we can meet the needs of all our parents. We will send out how to book an appointment via School Cloud over the next couple of weeks.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 4:00-7:00pm.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 3:30-5:30pm.



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## PE Days:

As part of the early years and KS1 curriculum, it is important for children to learn to dress themselves, so we ask that children bring their PE kit on the day of the longer lesson.

FS2: Tuesday – Bring PE kit into school  
Wednesday – Come to school in PE kit

Year 1: Wednesday – Bring PE kit into school  
Friday – Come to school in PE kit

Year 2: Thursday – Bring PE kit to school  
Friday – Come to school in PE kit



In Key Stage Two we ask the children to come to school in their PE kits on both days.

Year 3: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 4: Wednesday and Friday

Year 5: Tuesday and Thursday

Years 6: Monday – come in PE kit, but bring swimming kit.

## PE Kit:

PE kit should consist of the school red logo top (plain red top if you do not yet have one), plain blue shorts and / or jogging bottoms and their school jumper (no hoodies). Please do not send your child in patterned or logo'd clothes. Thank you.

## Breakfast / tea club

Do you need before and after school care? Our breakfast and after school club still has a few spaces available. We offer great value for money to support our working parents.

Breakfast club – arrive from 7:30am, breakfast included £3.50 a day.

After school club – available until 6:00pm, evening meal included £7.50 a day.

All bookings can be made on the Gateway APP.







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## Gateway APP

We have a number of ways we communicate with our parents – email, dojo, but most importantly, via the Gateway APP. Through this APP we can send individual, class or school messages (like a text message) and well as signing your children up for clubs. As we are now a cashless school, all payments for clubs, trips and resources are paid via the APP. If you have not yet downloaded the APP, please do so.

### Account activation

Navigate to [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com)

Select the **New user tab**



Select **Send PIN** - your 4 digit PIN will be sent via text message to your mobile phone.

Enter your email address and mobile number that is registered with the school.

You will need this PIN number each time you log in so keep it safe!

### Logging in

Navigate to [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com)



Enter your email address and PIN number

Once you have logged in you will be directed to the **Home screen**

The children you are linked to will be displayed



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## Water Bottles

Please ensure that your child comes to school with a water bottle each day. This needs to have your child's name on it. Please ensure that it is sports bottle lid, not a screw lid, as if this get knocked over the water will spill everywhere.

Water is vital for the children to help keep them hydrated and their minds active.

## Attendance

Our school / government minimum expectation is 96%

Year group	Attendance (Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> September)
Year 1	95.07
Year 2	96.38
Year 3	96.89
Year 4	95.83
Year 5	96.83
Year 6	94.46

## Snacks

We encourage that children bring in a snack every day to eat at break time. Please ensure that this is a healthy snack and does not contain nuts. All children in FS2 and Key Stage One have access to fruit every day.

## Sports Clubs

Here are the after school clubs we have on offer this term. If you wish for your child to attend, please accept their place on the Gateway APP, in the club section (bar the Y3/4 as this is a paid club).

Afterschool clubs term 1	
Monday	Y6 Hockey and Y5 Football
Tuesday	Y3 Hockey
Wednesday	Y4 Hockey, Y1 Multi-skills and Y3/4 Corby Town Football
Thursday	Y2 Multi-skills and Y6 Football

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## Exeter a learning community

### School Term Dates

### Academic Year 2021 – 2022



#### 2021

Term 1	Training Day Training Day Re-open Closes	Wednesday 1 September Thursday 2 September Friday 3 September Friday 22 October
Term 2	Re-open Closes	Monday 1 November Friday 17 December

#### 2022

Term 3	Training Day Re-open Closes	Tuesday 4 January Wednesday 5 January Friday 11 February
Term 4	Training Day Re-open	Monday 21 February Tuesday 22 February
Easter	Closes	Friday 1 April
Term 5	Re-open	Tuesday 19 April
May Bank Holiday	Closes Re-open	Friday 29 April Tuesday 3 May
Spring Bank Holiday	Closes	Friday 27 May
Term 6	Re-open Closes Training Day	Monday 6 June Thursday 21 July Friday 22 July