

Dear Families,

This week, our Year 11 students have shown real determination and focus as they continue with their GCSE exams. We're incredibly proud of how they've conducted themselves over the last few months; they've shown such resilience and determination. The pre-exam breakfast sessions have provided a great opportunity for staff and students to share a pre-exam snack, and resolve any final exam nerves or questions. We wish them every success in these final few weeks.

The summer term is always one of the most exciting and celebratory periods at West Exe. We look forward to honouring student achievement at the KS3 and KS4 awards ceremonies, showcasing talent at our summer concert, a array of trips and coming together for our annual Day of Sport – always a highlight!

We want our young people to feel truly involved in all of these opportunities that are there. When they grasp them with both hands they feel more part of our community, happier and like they really matter- as every single child does to all of us. Being here every day allows them to see how much they matter to us and we thank you with your efforts in ensuring their attendance is strong.

We're also preparing to welcome our new Year 6 students, with transition events in June and July designed to help them feel at home in our community right from the very start.

It's a term full of energy, recognition, and connection – a time to reflect on the year and celebrate all that makes West Exe so special. Let's hope for sunny days ahead!

Warm regards,

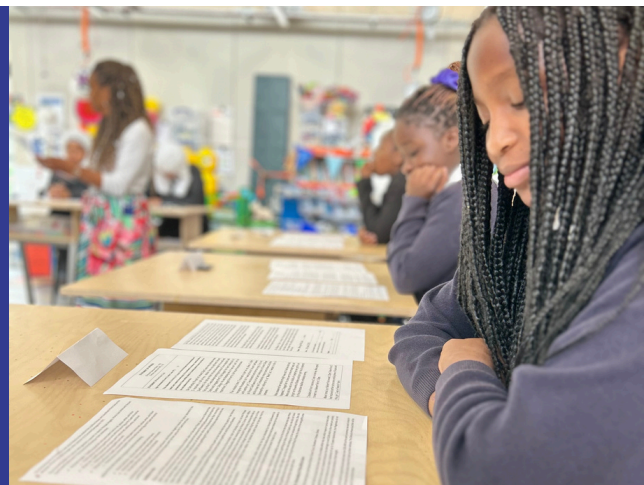
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## Celebrations

On the 21st May we celebrated national numeracy day with Year 7 and 8. Students had the chance to show off their numeracy skills, completing a numeracy ninja task in place of their usual starter. They also took part in "The Big Number Natter" – a nationwide conversation about our feelings surrounding maths, tackling maths anxiety and exploring when they may need numeracy skills in their day to day life.

On the 23rd May a group of our students enjoyed a workshop on Law at Exeter University as part of the B-hugs elective. Student experienced a court room and made friends from our sister schools.

One of our talented students, Jocelyn F, has had a fantastic winter season on the water as part of the RS Tera South West Regional Training Squad 2024/25. During training sessions, she sailed with her sport sail (number 2444), developing her skills and confidence in challenging winter conditions. She also competed at the South West Youth Sailing Academy's end-of-season regatta, representing the RS Tera squad with her new pro sail (number 3580). Now looking ahead, she's preparing for the regional competition at the end of June, followed by the national championships later this summer. As part of the SWYSA team, she'll also spend a week at Rutland Water for the National Youth Regatta—an exciting opportunity she can't wait to experience. Sailing is her passion, and it's clear she's truly in her element out on the water. We're incredibly proud of her achievements so far and wish her every success in the competitions ahead!





# Update continued

## Whole school information

Exciting Enrichment Week opportunities for Years 7-9 are now live via your MCAS account for the week of 14-18 July 2025. Packed with unforgettable activities and experiences - have you booked yours yet?

This week and next, our science classrooms will be buzzing with activity across all year groups. Year 7 students will delve into the fascinating world of photosynthesis, using practical experiments to investigate how light intensity affects the rate of photosynthesis. Year 8 will get hands-on with electricity, exploring current, potential difference, and resistance in both series and parallel circuits through interactive scientific investigations. Our Year 9 students will continue to focus on motion, examining how the mass of a trolley affects its acceleration. Year 10 students will deepen their understanding of work done and power by calculating energy transfers and rates of energy use, applying these concepts to real-world contexts like mechanical systems, and energy efficiency in everyday technologies. Meanwhile, Year 11 students are hard at work on focused revision for their upcoming Biology, Chemistry, and Physics Paper 2 exams, ensuring they're well-prepared for success.

Wednesday, 25 June is Day of Sports for Y7-10 during the day students will have the opportunity to compete in different sports and activities, learn and apply rules and game etiquette.

### Autumn Term

Non-pupil staff development days Monday, 1 – Tuesday, 2 September 2025

Term commences for Year 7 only: Wednesday, 3 September 2025

Term commences for Year 8-11 (inc Y7): Thursday, 4 September 2025

Key dates - You can also visit our website [here](#).

E-Safety posters surrounding different topics are posted on our socials fortnightly. They will also be available on our [website](#).

We'd love to hear from you to give a 'shout out' for your child/children involved in a club/group, activity or just trying something new outside of school. Please email [admin@westexe.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@westexe.devon.sch.uk) with photos and a brief explanation and we will celebrate this in our next update.

## Year Group Information

### Year 7

In Drama Year 7 are currently working towards a performance of A Midsummers Nights Dream which will be performed in week 12 as their cycle 3 assessment.

### Year 8

In Drama Year 8 have been exploring Greek Tragedies and created and performed a modern Greek Tragedy before May half term. This half term they will be exploring the topic Making a Stand through abstract drama techniques.

### Year 9

Sport Studies students in Y9 have recently completed an assessment in kayaking as part of their coursework. Students had great fun putting their paddle skills to the test, showing good skills and engagement. Thank you to Exmouth Watersports for delivering these sessions.

### Year 10

Exeter College have invited Year 10 students to experience taster sessions in a range of A Levels/IB Subjects see letter attached for more info...

Students have taken part in an introduction session with their tutors to upload their work experience placement details on to Unifrog. Students will need the name and address of where they are going to complete this form for the necessary checks to take place. Students will have more sessions over the next few weeks to complete this.

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## New Girls Section

Something new is happening  
in the world of girls rugby.  
Be part of it!



We're all about empowering  
girls from age 5 to 17 to tackle  
life with confidence through  
rugby!

Come join the fun and find out  
more!

**Launch Day:**  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
2pm - 5pm

**Evening Summer Sessions:**  
On Wednesdays 6:30pm - 8pm  
Starting 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025

If you would like to join our girls  
section or find out more,  
register for our launch event  
and free summer sessions  
through our QR code  
or pop us an email.



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