

Dear Families,

What an exhilarating day of sport we had last week; bursting with energy, some closely fought competition, and unforgettable moments that truly showcased the spirit of teamwork and determination!

The celebrations didn't stop there; we've had two vibrant awards evenings lit up the school with applause, and heartfelt recognition of our students' remarkable achievements across the year - they were a credit to themselves, their families and to West Exe, well done!

To finish off the week, we welcomed our new Year 7 families, whose arrival this September promises fresh enthusiasm and bright new beginnings for our community. We are so looking forward to the exciting journey ahead!

We'd like to wish our Year 10 students the very best of luck as they head off to their work experience placements starting 14 July - a fantastic opportunity to develop confidence and skills. Final details about Enrichment Week activities will be shared with families early next week.

Look out for details for the end of term arrangements and the start of the new term, next week - Students on site will finish at 1pm on Friday 18 July.

Have a lovely weekend

Julie

## Celebrations

Huge well done to our amazing Year 7 & 8 students who took part in the Exeter Maths Challenge Cup at St James!

Our students competed against eight other Trust schools in a series of maths and teamwork-based challenges — and came an impressive 3rd place, just 5 points off the top spot! Congratulations to Year 8's Alex G, Alex B, Jedidiah M & Freddy R, and Year 7's Emilio M, Lydia M, Harlan B & Simonas R — fantastic effort from all!

On Wednesday, 25 June, we were delighted to run our annual Day of Sports. Students and staff put on their House colours in order to represent their House while taking part in a range of activities throughout the day. Despite the heat, students continued to participate with passion and excitement across all four sessions. The SHN team cannot emphasize how proud we are of all students for their involvement in the day! It wasn't just the students participating - this year saw the return of the staff race with teachers dressing up as dinosaurs to compete for roaring success! Well done to all staff and students - in particular to those in Boyan for finishing in first position!



House	Points	Position
Boyan	1780	1
Daley	1710	2
Romero	1690	3
Malala	1570	4



# Update continued

Last week, Year 7 students took part in an inspiring Diversity Day, led by West Exe staff in collaboration with mentors from Exeter University's BHUGS group. Through interactive workshops, students explored identity, unconscious bias, and allyship. We encouraged kindness, inclusivity, and open conversations throughout the day helping students celebrate differences and understand the impact of bias.

Student helpers from Years 8, 9, and 10 were fantastic role models and provided valuable support throughout the day.

To conclude, Year 7 students presented thoughtful projects to younger year groups, sharing their learning and promoting a positive, respectful school community. It was a brilliant day that empowered students to celebrate diversity and stand up against unkindness.



## Whole school information

Activate Camps are running a holiday camp at Clyst Vale Community College this summer and have limited funded spaces available left for children in receipt of benefits related free school meals. Parents can book via a [link](https://www.activatecamps.co.uk/haf/) and are encouraged to book soon to avoid disappointment.

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Key dates can be found on our website [here](#).

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

Our brilliant Year 7s have been busy getting stuck into a wide range of activities this week — from showcasing their problem-solving skills in the Exeter Maths Challenge, to engaging in Diversity Day and giving their best in Assessment Week — we're so proud of their energy and enthusiasm!

### Year 8

Our Year 8 students have had a fantastic few weeks — taking part in the Exeter Maths Challenge and looking ahead with excitement as they prepare to start Year 9. The year group have also experienced the responsibility of student reception helper throughout the year.

### Year 9 & 10

Last week's Awards Evening was a truly special celebration of our students' incredible achievements. It was a joy to come together as a school community to recognise their hard work, talent, and dedication. A huge well done to all the students involved — you made us so proud! And a heartfelt thank you to all the families who joined us and continue to support and encourage our young people every step of the way.

### Year 11

We're so excited to be celebrating our incredible Year 11 students at their Prom on Thursday, 10 July! It promises to be a fantastic evening full of joy, laughter, and well-deserved celebration after all their hard work. We can't wait to see them dressed to impress and making memories to last a lifetime!

