

Term Dates

Autumn 2023 Term Starts

Tuesday 5th September

Non-Pupil Day

Friday 20th October

Half Term

23rd–27th October

It was lovely to see so many of our families at our Harvest Festival today. My thanks go to Rev Ash for his warm welcome and Harvest address and also to our staff and children who worked so hard on their class contributions that helped us to celebrate Harvest. Thank you to all our families for your generous donations that have already gone to Exeter Foodbank.

I do hope that you all have an enjoyable half term and we look forward to seeing you all back on Monday, 30th October. Alison Bourne

Attendance Guide for Parents/Carers

What YOU must do:

- Try to telephone the school before 8.30am **each day** of your child's absence.
- Tell the school in advance, of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters/show text
- If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.
- Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.
- If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance, then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

What WE will do:

- Check your child's attendance every day.
- Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.
- Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.
- If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

November & December

Stay and Play

3.30- 5.15pm

Places for October's S&P, must be booked using this link

[CLICK HERE](#)

Each Stay and Play session, must be paid for via ParentPay, at time of

School Meal Bookings

Please ensure all school meals are booked via ParentPay

By 3.30pm on the Wednesday before.

Please ensure you close the school gate when entering or exiting the school playgrounds.

Many thanks

The school gates are locked at 9am prompt. If you arrive at school after 9am. Please buzz at the front gate and your child will be welcomed in via the school office.

Thank you.

School gate

The gate to the front playground is opened at 8.45am each morning.

Parking Reminder

A reminder to parents that the road between the back of the school and the school field (Mount Dinham Court) is a private road and parents should not be driving or parking in this area, please.

Please also be mindful when entering/driving and parking in the area of Dinham Road (in front of the school). Please drive carefully and slowly and park only in areas where we have permission to park during the designated times.

Team Points Winners

13.10.23

Blue Panthers – 441

It's a want!

Stay and play would gratefully welcome donations of toys, games, puzzles and rolls of wallpaper for after school. Thank you in advance!

**Lunchtime
Star**

13th October

Kit: is always polite, kind and thoughtful and uses wonderful manners to all the staff at lunchtime. He is also a fantastic friend to all.

**Attendance Award 13.10.23
Emerald Class 99.6%**

Star Learners

Ruby

13th October

EYFS: Poppy—it has been wonderful to see Poppy confidently using the provision this week and role-playing with her peers. She is also very engaged on the carpet during phonics sessions. Well done, Poppy!

Year 1: Lola has impressed adults during her phonics sessions this week. She has been confidently segmenting words for spelling. Lola has also been working hard on her letter formation. Well done, Lola!

Emerald

13th October

Year 2: Sayeed has done some impressive mental maths during maths lessons this week. He has been confidently adding two parts of a number together accurately to find a whole. Well done, Sayeed!

Sapphire

13th October

Year 3: Jason is super sensible and always works hard. This week he has shown great enthusiasm for reading 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' and using this book to inspire his own writing. Well done, Jason!

Year 4: Ella has made super progress in maths. She is especially more confident with solving subtraction problems involving larger numbers. Her skill to use column subtraction is really improving. Well done, Ella!

Reading certificates: 50: Eden 75: Oliver K, Freddie O

Diamond

13th October

Year 5: Ted has worked much harder in English this week, and he has completed all his tasks to a very high standard. Well done and thank you, Ted!

Year 6: Kaddy has worked incredibly hard in all subjects this week, and she is taking great pride in her work at the moment. Well done and thank you, Kaddy!

Reading Certificates: 25: Caleb, Mansi 50: Ted, Jacey 75: Nina, Kaddy

Harvest Festival



A huge well done to all of the children for their superb Harvest Festival performances. Especially our reception children for being incredibly brave and standing up in front of an audience for the first time.

Diamond Class News



Over the course of this term, Diamond class have been studying the second world war, and today the class came into school dressed as evacuees to celebrate their work. In our Harvest festival, the Diamond children informed the school and parents about growing vegetables and 'digging for victory' during the war, and in the afternoon the children presented their work on evacuees to each other. Well done, on a fabulous effort, Diamond children and parents!



Our Christian Values

Respect Forgiveness Compassion Friendship Justice Trust

Diary Dates

Date	Autumn Term
20 th October	Non-Pupil Day
23 rd - 27 th Oct	Half Term Week
w/c: 6 th Nov	Parents' Evening Week: Mon/Tue/Thurs: 3.30pm-4.30pm Wed: 3.30pm - 5.50pm
17 th November	Children In Need - theme TBC
30 th November	9.15am-10.15am: Humanities Curriculum Morning - parents invited
6 th December	2.30pm Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance—School Hall
7 th December	2.30pm Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance—School Hall
8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day -children bring in hamper gifts
13 th December	Carol Service - all families invited
14 th December	Christmas Dinner
14 th December	Christmas Movie Night 'Buy a Christmas present for your family'
15 th Dec	Last Day of Term

2 nd January	Spring Term
2 nd January	Non-Pupil Day
8 th Feb	Valentine's Disco
12 th -16 th Feb	Half Term
7 th March	World Book Day
w/c: 4 th March	Parents' Evening Week: Mon/Tue/Thurs: 3.30pm-4.30pm Wed: 3.30pm - 5.50pm
11 th -15 th March	British Science Week Thursday, 14 th - 9.15am-10.15am: Curriculum Morning - parents invited
15 th March	Red Nose Day - Theme to be confirmed
27 th March	Easter Service - all families invited
28 th March	Last Day of Term
15 th April	Summer Term
6 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
13 th - 16 th May	Y6 SATS Week
23 rd May	Curriculum Morning - parents invited - focus subject TBC
27 th - 31 st May	Half Term



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Term Dates 2023-2024

AUTUMN Term

Finishes on 15th December 2023

Non-Pupil Day: 20th October 2023

Half Term 23rd – 27th October 2023

Non-Pupil Day: 2nd January 2024

SPRING Term

Starts on 3rd January 2024

Finishes on 28th March 2024

Half Term 12th – 16th February 2024

SUMMER Term

Starts on 15th April 2024

and Finishes on 23rd July 2024

Bank Holiday: 6th May 2024

Half Term 27th May 2024 – 31st May 2024

Non-Pupil Day: 3rd June 2024

Non-Pupil Day: 24th July 2024