

Spring Term 2

Our Christian Values

Respect Forgiveness Compassion Friendship Justice Trust



23rd February & 1st March

Term Dates

Easter Holiday

Friday 29th March—
12th April

Bank Holiday

6th May

Half Term

27th May—31st May

Non Pupil Day

3rd June

Half Term

12th-16th February 2024

February & March

Stay and Play
3.30- 5.15pm

Places for February and
March S&P, must be
booked using this link

[February](#)

19th February—27th March

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

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
open at 8.45 and 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.



The weeks are flying by and we are already starting to think about Easter with preparation well under way for our service. Separately, we have a number of lovely events over the next few weeks with world book day, red nose day and trips to the cinema all coming up before the term finishes. On another note, I wanted to let you know that Rebecca Prior will continue in her role as SENDCo until the end of the academic year to help provide continuity as we go through the change in Headteacher.
Have a lovely weekend.

Numbots

Many of you will be aware that we use TT Rockstars with the children to help with their times-tables. We have recently purchased a sister product called Numbots which focuses on number bonds, place value and other foundational maths. Like TT Rockstars, it's a fun, game based activity which helps consolidate key skills. Passwords and logins will go home for the children for whom this is most suitable at parents' evenings.

World Book Day—Thursday 7th March

We have lots of exciting things happening for world book day on 7th March.

- Don't forget to purchase your wooden spoons and decorate them as a favourite book character. Bring them back into school for them to be entered into the Best Spoon Book Character competition (£2 via ParentPay)
- Dress as your favourite book character on WBD - Thursday 7th March
- Book Swap - Thursday 7th March - bring a book on WBD to swap with another book
- Mad Hatters Tea Party Experience

Red Nose Day Friday 15th March 2024

The theme for this year's Red Nose Day is 'come to school in something RED'. Children can come to school in non-uniform, although we would ask, if possible, that they wear something red. This could be a t-shirts, skirt, trousers, socks, bow, accessory. In exchange for coming to school in Something Red Non-Uniform, would we ask that you kindly make a donation to the official Red Nose Day Donation Page on ParentPay. We are unable to accept any cash donations.

<https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/how-we-can-help/our-local-services/find-our-services-near-you/exeter-childrens-centre/>

Exeter Children's Centre provides a range of targeted early help services to families with children aged 8 years and under.

Action for Children offers online parenting support for families with children aged 0-19. From where to go for help, to coping with challenging behaviours, to how to keep your children entertained at home.

Team Points Winners

23rd February

Yellow Lions

1st March 2024

Green Pumas

Attendance Awards

23rd February 2024

Emerald—96%

1st March 2024

Diamond—95.42%

Lunchtime Star

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Edward has been enjoying his lunches and always using his manners and showing kindness to both peers and adults.

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Agatha C for always using her manners, being polite, kind and helpful to both peers and staff.

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Star Learners

Ruby

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EYFS: **Lola G** has been a superstar this week. She has been following all instructions and sitting beautifully on the carpet. Lola has also been taken responsibility for our classroom. She is always keen to help adults and her peers to keep our classroom tidy. Thank you Lola!

1st March

EYFS: **Priscilla** has been sitting on the carpet during maths sessions this week. The adults have been so impressed with her focus and engagement during learning times. Priscilla has also been able to identify number doubles. Well done Priscilla!

Reading certificates:

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Year 1: **Maya** - up until quite recently, Maya used to find coming into school in the morning a little tricky and could become emotional. Not anymore—Now she comes in by herself, smiling and ready to start her morning task. I am so impressed and proud of this personal development Maya. I know it was not an easy thing for you. Keep it up, well done!

Year 2: **Nellie** has been a girl on a mission this week! She has been super focussed on showing her Year 2 maturity and being much more independent. She has been ready to learn quickly, listening well, managing distractions, and completing much longer pieces of work. Well done, Nellie!

1st March

Year 1: **Jasiu** is an enthusiastic learner who is eager to engage in carpet session and complete his work tasks. He asks questions to further his knowledge and understanding. Jasiu has such a kind heart and always supports and cares for those who are upset or unwell. He is a delight to have a class and we are very lucky to have him!

Year 2: **Borry** is a ray of sunshine in our class. She is a friend to all and supportive of everyone. She is always eager to help in any way she can. Borry has been trying to challenge herself within her learning and extend her understanding and skill set. She has also started to independently select resources within the class to support her work. Amazing Borry! I am so impressed and proud!

Reading certificates 75: Pearl, Bram 100: Charlotte Li, Fraser 175: Evie

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Year 3: **Julia** has been working so hard in all lessons and has produced some super writing. Her history facts were amazing. Well done Julia!

Year 4: **Charlie H** has worked so hard with his phonics. He has been sounding out and writing words all on his own! Well done Charlie!

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Year 3: **Otis** has recently made some amazing contributions to our class discussions! He is always willing to ask questions and be curious. Keep up the great effort Otis!

Year 4: **Samia** is a great role model in class. She is very enthusiastic about learning, and she is always wanting to know more. She has made excellent progress in mental maths and keeps challenging the adults for more. Excellent job Samia!

Reading certificates: 50: Mackenzie, Ethan, Amelia-Nancy 75: Maisie 100: Kuba 150: Eden, Rosie 200: Otto, Jason, Fares 275: Oliver, Arthur 325: Freddie 350: Samuel

23rd February

Year 5: **Betsy** has worked extremely hard in maths this week and her confidence and accuracy are growing daily. Well done and thank you Betsy!

Year 6: **Hollie's** work ethic and enthusiasm for school life is a joy to see, and she has had a superb week at work and play. Well done and thank you Hollie!

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Year 5: **Ted** was named 'sports superstar' in our PE lesson this week due to his enthusiasm, teamwork and sportsmanship. Well done and thank you Ted!

Year 6: **Marie** has worked incredibly hard to improve her arithmetic understanding, and she is now achieving test scores that she should be extremely proud of. Well done and thank you Marie!

Reading Certificates: 50: Ieshia, Jocelyn 75: Oliver C, Caleb, Amelia H 125: Esmay 175: Betsy 200: Ted, William 300: Maya 375: Hollie 400: Jacey, Kaddy, Eva, Nina



PTFA Fundraiser

World Book Day (Thursday 7th March 2024)
Spoon Story Book Characters.



Pay €2 entry fee (via parent pay)

Receive a Wooden Spoon and Entry Label

Think of a Book Character and transform your spoon.

Bring back to school and be entered into the competition.

PRIZES - for the best spoon in each year group

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Message From

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
MOUNT DINHAM, EXETER, EX4 4EB

For more information, visit our website www.stmichaelsmountdinham.org.uk
or social media: St Michael and All Angels, Mount Dinham, Exeter

LENT & EASTER

Sundays

11am-12.15pm Sung Mass with music, talks, and prayer

Tuesdays

6-6.30pm Sung Vespers music and meditation

Wednesdays

6-6.30pm Stations of the Cross

Thursdays

6-6.30pm Sung Vespers music and meditation

Holy Week

- Spy Wednesday 27th March
- 6pm Stations of the Cross with Stabat Mater by Pergolesi
- Maundy Thursday 28th March
- 7pm Sung Mass of the
- Lord's Supper and Vigil
- Good Friday 29th March
- 10am Mass of the Presanctified 8pm Tenebrae
- Holy Saturday 30th March
- 8pm Service of Light and
- First Mass of Easter

EASTER SUNDAY

11am Sung Mass with Blessing of the Easter Garden

You are invited to join us during Lent, Holy Week and Easter to experience the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus, through song, silence, meditation and fellowship.



Lent & Easter

SUNDAYS
9.30AM MORNING SERVICE
4PM MUSIC, SNACKS AND SPIRITUALITY
6PM EVENING PRAYER

THURSDAYS
10.30AM MIDWEEK SERVICE WITH SNACKS AND CHAT

MAUNDY THURSDAY
7PM HOLY COMMUNION

GOOD FRIDAY
2PM REFLECTION ROUND THE CROSS

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Diary Dates

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7th March	World Book Day
w/c 4th March	Parents' Evening Week: Mon/Tue/Thurs: 3.30pm-4.30pm Wed: 3.30pm - 5.50pm
11th–15th March	British Science Week Thursday, 14 th - 9.15am-10.15am: Curriculum Morning - parents invited
15 th March	Red Nose Day - non-uniform with a RED THEME
27th March	Easter Service - all families invited
28th March	Last Day of Term
Summer Term	
15 th April	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

Term Dates 2023-2024

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