

## A Day of Literary Adventures on World Book Day:



Our children embraced the spirit of World Book Day with a variety of engaging activities designed to ignite their passion for reading:

- **Reception:** Our youngest learners shared the joy of reading with their Year 6 "Rainbow Buddies," fostering cross-school connections. They also explored the vibrant world of "Elmer" by using adjectives to design Elmer-inspired cats and discussed the importance of celebrating differences.
- **Year 1:** Creativity took centre stage as children created story backgrounds for their costumed selves, shared favourite books, and danced to the energetic MC Grammar World Book Day song.
- **Year 2:** A dazzling World Book Day catwalk showcased imaginative costumes, followed by bookmark crafting and dedicated reading time.
- **Year 3:** Collaborative reading and a thrilling World Book Day quiz on Blooket challenged and entertained our children.
- **Year 4:** Children participated in the World Book Day live lesson, enjoyed "drop everything and read" moments, listened to author recommendations, and designed bookmarks.
- **Year 5:** A unique "Footy and Booky" quiz, featuring questions read by Premier League and Women's Super League players, captivated our sports and book enthusiasts. They also enjoyed reading outdoors in the sunshine.
- **Year 6:** Our oldest children shared books with Reception, tackled World Book Day maths activities, and participated in a reading quiz.
- **Lunchtime Reading Takeover:** The "On Cloud Nine" zone transformed into a literary haven, where children enjoyed reading in the sunshine or listening to Mr. Moore (aka Miss Trunchbull) read captivating stories.

## Friday 7 March 2025

### Future dates:

**Mon 10 Mar:** Early Epic and Epic Eve bookings open for Summer 1 at 3pm

**Wed 12 Mar:** Y6 Maths workshop 9-9.45am in the hall

**Fri 14 Mar:** Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6 Movie Night- Tickets on School Gateway

**Mon 17 Mar:** Online Safety Workshop 6.15pm in the hall

**Fri 21 March:** Red Nose Day non uniform

**Fri 4 Apr:** non-pupil day

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We would also like to thank all the families for their incredible efforts in creating such fabulous and varied costumes. The children looked amazing, and your creativity truly brought the characters to life!



The day was a resounding success, filled with laughter, learning, and the magic of storytelling. We hope that the experiences of yesterday's World Book Day will inspire our children to continue their reading adventures long after the celebrations have ended. Let's keep the pages turning and the imaginations soaring!



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**New Parent App:** We're hoping to have further updates next week about the move from School Gateway to MCAS (MyChildatSchool).

**Y1-Y6 Curriculum letters:** these show the learning that your child is involved with over the course of this half term. They show the range of subjects being taught, the coverage of our curriculum, key vocabulary your child will be learning and may give you some ideas of how to support at home. To read more about what your child is learning in school this half term, follow these links to our school website:

[Year 1 Curriculum Letter](#)

[Year 2 Curriculum Letter](#)

[Year 3 Curriculum Letter](#)

[Year 4 Curriculum Letter](#)

[Year 5 Curriculum Letter](#)

[Year 6 Curriculum Letter](#)

**Movie nights – buy your tickets now!** Tickets are available on Gateway now for the upcoming movie nights – £3 to include a film, sweets and drink.

Today, Friday 7th March – Reception and Yrs 1 and 2: the film will be Despicable Me 4

Next Friday, 14th March – Yrs 3 – 6: the film will be Inside Out 2

The events will start straight after school and will finish at 5.20pm. Please collect from your child's usual pick-up point. If your child is in Yr 5/6 and you are happy for them to walk home afterwards, you must let us know. If we've not had your confirmation, we won't be able to release them.

We also need helpers to be able to run these events successfully – if you are available to help at one or both evenings please get in touch: [esa@exminsterschool.co.uk](mailto:esa@exminsterschool.co.uk). Thank you!

The movie nights are organised by the School Association and all money raised is used for the benefit of the children.

**Early Epic and Epic Eve bookings:** Summer 1 sessions (April-May 2025) will be available to book on School Gateway from 3pm on Monday 10 March 2025.



**Steve Down Guitar lessons:** Steve has 2 spaces for guitar lessons on Monday mornings in school. You can contact him on [info@exeterguitarlessons.com](mailto:info@exeterguitarlessons.com) or through Music Devon [Music Devon | Making Music Together](#)

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## Mental Health Update:



This week we are sharing this new text we bought from our Rainbow Day contributions. Filled with relatable emotions, comforting illustrations, and a message of empowerment, The Worry Monster is an ideal story for children dealing with anxiety and a valuable tool for parents and caregivers to help guide them through it. This book is available to borrow from the Community Library. The library is open on a Wednesday morning and located next to the office or you can ask a member of staff.

**Let's Talk Dads:** Our previous Let's Talk events have proved to be hugely popular, however, we have found that only approximately 15% of those attending are male and we really believe that men play a hugely important part in the lives of our young people. With that in mind our next series of Let's Talk has been developed specifically with men in mind, the sessions are FREE and only 20 minutes long and would love it if as many of you as possible could attend and give us your honest feedback, the details of the sessions are below, just click the links to book.

[Let's Talk Anger and Challenging Behaviour](#)

[Let's Talk Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing](#)

[Let's Talk Healthy Relationships](#)

[Let's Talk Drugs and Exploitation](#)

## Red Nose Day:



We will be supporting Comic Relief Red Nose Day on Friday 21 March

Children can come to school in non-uniform in return for a donation via the Just Giving page using the link below

We'd love to hear your school appropriate jokes!

[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd25-exminster-community-primary?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd25-exminster-community-primary?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL)



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## This Sunday

## 9 March

## 3:30pm to 5:30pm



Come and join us for **burgers with cheese and chips followed by ice cream and an Easter chocolate nest**. There is no charge but donations are very welcome to help us cover the cost of the food. Please let us know of any allergies.

**Our Messy Church meal is for everyone to enjoy so please don't hesitate to join in.**



Our theme is Easter and the Love of Jesus. We have some lovely activities including a bit of a messier one when we have an Easter Garden to make. **Come and have fun and join us this Sunday.**



We ask for all young people to be accompanied by an adult please.

**Time: 3:30 to 5:30pm**

**Place: The Methodist Church, Main Street, Exminster. EX6 8BT**

**(Near the Post Office)**

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