

Welcome to the latest update from Exeter Maths School.

I was gutted to be unable to attend the EMC Conference on the 5th March due to being unwell but delighted to hear the excellent feedback from staff and parents about the presentations. I know the effort that students put into their projects and presentations and inevitably the pre-talk nerves too. We look forward to celebrating their achievements in their EMC and Curriculum X projects at the Celebration on Monday 22nd June at the University (further information to follow after the Easter holidays).

It was also lovely to see the parents and carers of Year 12 students in person and online at the parents' meetings this Monday 9th March and I hope you found the discussions helpful and informative.

Our last day of term is **Thursday 2nd April**. Details regarding the arrangements for returning after the holidays will be included in the next update, which will be sent on the last day of term.

Dates for your Diary:

Date	Year	Time	Event	Description
30/04/2026	Year 12	1700 - 1800	UCAS Parent Information Event – online	An explanation of the university admissions process. An online event.
22/06/2026	Year 13	1600 - 1800	EMC and Curriculum X Celebration	A get together to celebrate the achievements of Year 13 and to award certificates. We have a special guest speaker this year!
07/07/2026 and 08/07/2026	Year 12	Individual appointments	End of year review with Tutors	Post assessment review of the year's progress, target setting for the year ahead and receive UCAS predicted grades.

The Parents Page on our website has information on key parent events, term dates, internal assessments and the Summer exams timetable - [Exeter Maths School | Parents Page \(exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk\)](https://www.exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk/parents).

ALL – FOR INFORMATION - Exeter College – Parent Meetings and Staff Development Day

If your child takes a subject at Exeter College, please note the following dates for their parent meetings:

Date	Year	Time	Event
26/03/2026	12	17:00 – 20:00	Year 12 parents evening (remote)
01/04/2026	12	17:00 – 20:00	Year 12 parents evening (remote)

All – FOR ACTION – Can you Help?

We are embarking on some fundraising activities to enable the school to:

- Expand its boarding provision.
- Sustain and extend its outreach.
- Continue to offer enrichment opportunities to students.
- Provide additional support to students who need it.

We will write to you with more information shortly. In the meantime, if you have expertise in fundraising, have connections to those who may be interested in supporting us, or have time to support us with this administratively, please do get in touch by emailing headteacher@exeterms.ac.uk.

Year 13 – FOR INFORMATION – Leavers Prom

This year the Year 13 Leavers Prom is taking place on **Wednesday 24th June between 17:30 and 20:30** at Whipton Community Hall. The cost of the event is £13 per student which includes all food provided. All the information on how to book is on Student Teams.

Year 13 – FOR INFORMATION – Mock Exams

Year 13 mock exams will start on **Monday 23rd March** and will continue for two weeks until the last day of term on **Thursday 2nd April**. Please see the timetable below for your information. Year 13 will be off timetable for the duration of the mock exams.

Year 13 Mock TT 2025		AM 0900 start	PM 1315 start
Monday	23/03/2026		Pure & Stats (2hrs)
Tuesday	24/03/2026	Physics 1 (2hr15)	Pure & Mech (2hrs)
Wednesday	25/03/2026	Pure & Comp (2hrs)	catch-up
Thursday	26/03/2026	Physics 2 (2hr)	STEP 2 (3 hours) / Catch-up
Friday	27/03/2026	FM Core (2hr 40)	
Monday	30/03/2026		CS Paper 1 (2hr30) @uni
Tuesday	31/03/2026	Stats Minor (1hr 15)	Physics 3 (2hr15)
Wednesday	01/04/2026	CS Paper 2 (2hr30)	Mech Minor (1hr 15)
Thursday	02/04/2026	NM/EP (1hr 15)	STEP 3 (3 hrs)/Catch-up
Friday	03/04/2026		

Year 12 - FOR INFORMATION – UCAS Discovery Exhibition Trip

As highlighted in the last update, we will be taking all of Year 12 to the UCAS Discovery Event at Westpoint this coming **Monday 16th March** during lessons 2 & 3 and students have received all the information for this event in the UCAS channel in Teams, including how to sign up for the event. There is no cost for this trip.

UCAS is the University and College Admissions Service, and students apply to universities through UCAS. This exhibition is a chance to meet representatives from most of the universities across the country, to pick up prospectuses and to ask questions. There will be more information about the application process after Easter in advance of the start of the UCAS process.

All – FOR INFORMATION – Boarding Rooms for Year 10 Residential

This year the Year 10 residential, which usually happens in the summer, is taking place in the second week of the Easter holidays. This outreach event involves these younger students spending time at the school and staying in accommodation.

Therefore, the rooms in boarding will need to be emptied before we break up for Easter. We are keeping one room on each floor available for large items to be left that can't easily be transported home.

Boarding will be open on the last day of term, **Thursday 2nd of April between 16:00 and 18:00** for any belongings to be moved out of student's rooms and will then reopen on **Tuesday 21st April between 09:00 and 11:00** for students to move back in.

Thank you for your cooperation and if you have any queries please contact the boarding team at boarding@exeterms.ac.uk.

All – EMS NEWS – U-Maths Girls International Women’s Day Event

U-Maths Girls organised a celebration for International Women’s Day at Aston Maths School on Saturday 7th March. Several EMS students attended and Abi in Year 12 said *“We met with lots of Maths School students and had some really interesting conversations. It was an amazing experience being able to build our support networks as women in STEM and the talks were really helpful. We also had many delicious muffins and everyone had a great time.”*

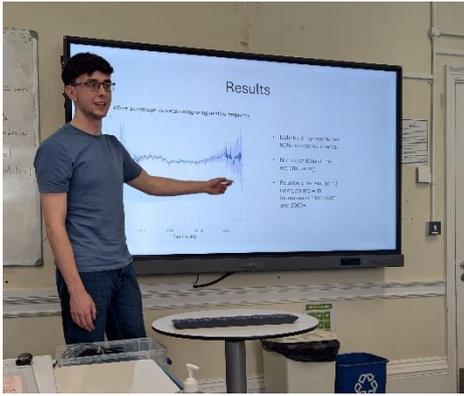
Thank you to Freya, who’s the EMS student rep for U-Maths Girls and helped to organise some of the activities for the day, and to all the students who made the trek up to Birmingham!



All – EMS NEWS – UK Linguistics Olympiad

Many congratulations to Christophe, who not only qualified for the second round of the UK Linguistics Olympiad but also went on to earn a Distinction, placing him in the top 25% of entrants for this very tough paper!

Linguistics Club continues to run on Tuesday lunchtimes in Fermat for students who enjoy putting their puzzle-solving skills to use in a different context 😊.

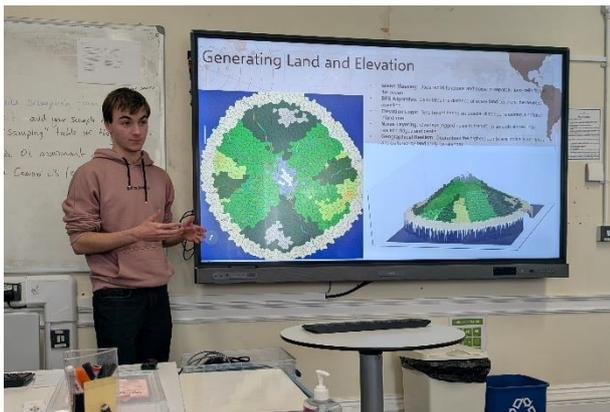
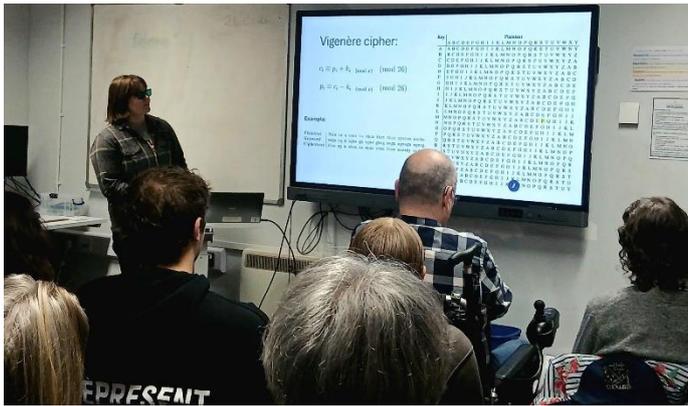


It was a pleasure to see our Year 13 students showcase their EMC projects on Thursday, 5th March, at our annual EMC Conference. Throughout their time here, the students have honed their presentation skills, and the quality of their work was evident in the high standard of their presentations.

It was clear to see the dedication they had put into their projects and great to see the support they gave each other which was evident to one of our parents who emailed the following feedback:

"We were so impressed by the amazing work year 13 had clearly worked so hard on and the support and effort all the staff gave to the students to make it happen. What really stood out and was so good to see, and listen to, was the support and praise all the students gave each other, both before and after their talks. What a lovely group of young people you have, you must be so proud of them all, we certainly were".

We are confident that these students will carry the skills they've developed into any future presentations they undertake and is a great preparation for university. Congratulations to all – great job!



Thank you also to everyone who bought cakes during the event which raised a brilliant **£194** for CAMFED. CAMFED are a charity who support the education of girls and young women from the most disadvantaged communities in rural Africa.

And not forgetting the students who baked the most amazing cakes! Thank you!

All – EMS NEWS – Update from Boarding

We have all settled back in after half term, the regular student-led socials such as D&D and Traitors games continue and we still have no idea who the traitors are or how many - all will be revealed in a few weeks time. There was plenty of buzz and excitement last week as the Year 13's worked hard on finishing their individual EMC presentations which all sounded and looked fantastic as they practised in boarding. It gave the Year 12's lots of ideas for their EMC's next year.

Meals across the kitchens have included - sticky tempeh stir-fry with broccoli and mange tout, mixed bean and tomato stew with halloumi fries and beef goulash with homemade garlic bread, which, I hear, was very quickly devoured! For many of us in the veg kitchen, it was the first time trying tempeh - vaguely like tofu but much firmer with a more distinct flavour. Tofu is curdled soy milk pressed into a block and tempeh is fermented soybeans in a firm cake and very easy to slice. Although both are very nutritious and packed full of protein, fibre and iron, tempeh has double the amount of protein and fibre than tofu. We all really enjoyed the tempeh meal and will cook with it again soon.

This half term we are focusing on the benefits of iron in food as well as vitamin C and how the combination of the two can boost iron absorption. We are encouraging students to add extra to meals such as spinach, lentils, peppers, broccoli and potatoes.