

Introduction from Kerry:

Welcome to the latest update from Exeter Maths School. Thank you to all the staff who held the fort in my absence. I am now back to work full time, almost fully recovered. It's been an incredibly busy fortnight, with multiple outreach events and lots of visits to industry partners to enable Year 12 students to present their second-term projects. More of these will take place in the coming week.

Year 13 students should now have received feedback from their mock exams. We hope this is valuable information that will inform their revision between now and their main exams. It is common for students to make significant progress at this time. All lessons are now dedicated to their revision, and their teachers are always happy to help, support and answer questions.

A big thank you to boarding students who kindly cleared their rooms over Easter so we could host students attending the Year 10 residential in the second week of the holidays.

I hope you all enjoy the long weekend. Please note that Boarding will be closed on **Monday 4th May** and lessons will begin on **Tuesday 5th May at 10:45 (lesson 2)**.

Dates for your Diary:

Date	Year	Time	Event	Description
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 - [A page for parents and carers - Exeter Maths School](#).

Year 12 - FOR ACTION – U-Maths Student Conference

The plans are coming together for the trip to Lancaster University for the U-Maths Student Conference from Monday 6th July to Wednesday 8th July and thank you to those parents who have paid the remaining balance.

The total cost of the conference is £200 per student which includes, travel, accommodation, meals and sessions/activities. Students eligible for Free School Meals will have their costs covered.

If your child is going on the trip and you still need to pay the remaining balance of £150, this is now overdue. Payments can be made directly to the school – details as follows:

Account Name: Exeter Maths School

Sort Code: 30-93-14

Account Number: 00604421

Reference: Your name and "LancasterC" as reference

Please contact Beth if you have any queries – BethanyJones02@exeterms.ac.uk.

Year 13 – FOR INFORMATION – Study Leave and Leaver’s Assembly and BBQ

Study leave for Year 13 students will start after May half term – **w/c Monday 1st June**.

For students also studying a subject at Exeter College, Year 13 students should attend their Exeter College lessons as normal (as far as is possible) until teaching finishes on Friday 13th June.

For the afternoon exams before half term, students may miss their morning lessons and study from home or in school. On most days after half term, Boarding will be open during the daytime for Year 13s only. Students will be supervised and a timetable of Boarding opening times will be shared with students in due course. When open, Boarding students will be able to study in their rooms or in school during the exam season.

Whilst students are on study leave, they are welcome to come into school to study and are encouraged to get in touch with their class teachers with questions, no matter how large or small.

Year 13 Leavers Assembly and BBQ will take place on **Friday 22nd May** from 11:45 and afternoon lessons will be cancelled.

YEAR 13 - FOR INFORMATION – Student Finance Application Deadline

The deadline for new full-time undergraduate students to apply for their student finance is **Friday 15th May**. This is to make sure they get all their funding sorted before the start of their course. They don’t need a confirmed place at university or college to make an application.

For further information please visit - [Going to uni in 2026 - Student Finance England](#).

ALL – FOR INFORMATION – Exeter College – End of Term

Exeter College have confirmed the following information regarding their end of term arrangements:

Year 12:

- Once Year 12 AS learners have completed their exams for a subject, they do not need to attend these lessons until **Monday 8th June**.
- All Year 12 AS learners will be back to college from **Monday 8th June to Friday 26th June** for Progression Weeks to Year 13.

Details regarding end of term arrangements for EMS will be available soon. This will include the assessment timetable between **16th June and 25th June** and the post assessment schedule running up to the last day of term on **Thursday 9th July**.

Year 13:

- Students will be expected in lessons until **Friday 5th June** with the last teaching day being **Friday 12th June**.
- Lessons will be delivered online, between **Wednesday 3rd June and Friday 5th June**. Students will receive a link in the usual way.

ALL – FOR INFORMATION AND SHARING – Vacancy for Deputy Head of Boarding

As highlighted in the previous update, we are advertising for a **Deputy Head of Boarding**. This is a new role for EMS and the person appointed will work closely with boarding tutors, staying overnight and with Grace to build leadership capacity whilst our boarding numbers grow. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this role, please direct them to the advert on our website - closing date for applications is the **11th May**: [Work with us - Exeter Maths School](#).

All – EMS NEWS – Student Volunteers

Another busy term sees a packed schedule of Outreach events, with some of our Year 12 students playing a vital role in their success. Their enthusiasm, professionalism, and commitment have ensured events have run smoothly throughout.

The RI Masterclasses wrapped up with the reliable support of Alex and Ewan, while Year 8 & 9 Maths Student Communities were made especially engaging thanks to the fantastic volunteering of Hettie, Jessica, Ollie, Jay and Natan, as well as (regulars now), Liisa and Abi.

Our Computational Problem-Solving Events have been further enhanced by the brilliant support of Robin, Danylo and David. With weekly Outreach events continuing through the summer term, we are incredibly grateful for the energy, inspiration, and expertise our student volunteers bring to every event. Thank you all.

All – EMS NEWS – EMS Alumni – 10 Year Reunion

On Thursday 2nd April, we held a 10 Year Reunion at Mill on the Exe in Exeter, for our first cohort who left EMS in 2016. It was wonderful to see these former students and hear all about what they have been up to since leaving us. Our first cohort of students was small, so we were pleased that so many came along to celebrate their time at EMS and catch up with each other and Kerry, Liam and Claire!



All – EMS NEWS – Update from Boarding



We can't believe that we have begun the final term of the school year already, the weeks are flying by!

Everyone has settled back in after the holidays with Year 13's busy revising and getting ready for their exams and Year 12's starting to look ahead to what they might want to do after EMS.

The kitchens have had some great meals, with the Veg kitchen producing homemade pizzas and students enjoyed adding their own toppings to the homemade dough with a choice of peppers, sweetcorn, mushrooms, tomatoes, onions, mozzarella cheese, veg pepperoni and of course, pineapple (for some!) on their individual pizzas - all very tasty (and happily not burnt). Other lovely meals enjoyed recently included a vegetarian Chinese noodle soup, a gnocchi Bolognese in the meat kitchen and a sesame tofu and broccoli rice dish in the mixed kitchen.

This week, we had a fun sports social offered to all boarders at University of Exeter Sports Hall. After an early dinner, we walked the short distance to take part in a range of activities including badminton and basketball. For those preferring a quieter option, a paper escape room or just time to sit and chat were also available. Everyone seemed to enjoy getting out together in the sunshine and using a local indoor facility.