#### **EMS Parent Update 19**

11th November 2022

Welcome to the latest update from Exeter Maths School. Firstly, thank you to all those students who helped on our second Taster Day on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November. The day was well attended, and all our student volunteers did a fantastic job!

Year 13 students have been working hard this week on their assessments. Please reassure them that these internal assessments are to show progress so far and highlight possible gaps so we can support them and do not count towards their final grades.

# Year 13 - FOR INFORMATION - Summer Exam Timetable

The confirmed summer exam timetable is now available on the school website at the following link - <a href="https://exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk/parents-page/#1641479618248-3087cdb4-c873">https://exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk/parents-page/#1641479618248-3087cdb4-c873</a>.

It is important that students are available to come into school on the contingency days if requested, which have now changed to:

- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June (afternoon)
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June (afternoon)
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2022 (all day)

There are also other documents on this web page that students need to familiarise themselves with before the summer season under 'JCQ Candidate Information'.

A level Results day is on Thursday 17th August 2023. Please check this page for any updates.

#### Year 12 - FOR INFORMATION - Year 12 Parents Meetings and Reports

A reminder that the first Year 12 Parent/Student/Teacher Meetings will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November between 4.45pm and 8.00pm with an alternative session on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November between 2.30pm and 4.30pm. Parents and students will have the option of attending meetings in person or online and students will book these meetings with each of their teachers. To inform the conversations, students will be bringing a school report home today (Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November).

#### Year 13 - FOR INFORMATION - Year 13 Parents Meetings

The next EMS Year 13 Parents/Student/Teacher Meetings will take place on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December between 4.45pm and 8.00pm and an alternative session on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December between 2.30pm and 4.30pm.

Parent and Guardian Evenings for Year 13 Exeter College students will take place remotely on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November between 5.00pm and 8.00pm. These can be booked via the Exeter College Parent Portal (see the next item for more information). The College have advised that there is a waiting list for parents who have struggled to get appointments and College teachers are happy to get in touch with feedback on progress in lessons if there is no availability to speak to teachers on the night.

# All – FOR INFORMATION – Exeter College – Accessing Parent Portal

For students studying a subject at Exeter College, the Exeter College Parent Portal is a one-stop platform to view information about your child's progress, including access to progress reports. Parents will need to register for the portal using the unique registration code sent in a letter to parents before half term. If you haven't received the letter you can register for the portal via the following link but please allow a few days for this to be processed as they will need to carry out some identity/data checks - <u>Parent Portal (exe-coll.ac.uk)</u>. Exeter College have produced a useful guide to accessing and using the portal which is attached with this update. If you have any issues accessing the Parent Portal please contact ParentPortal@exe-coll.ac.uk.

Exeter College will be having a Staff Development Day on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, therefore there will be no college lessons for students on that day. EMS will be running lessons as usual, so this will only effect students doing a subject at the college which is timetabled for lesson 2 on a Friday.

#### All - FOR INFORMATION - EMC Christmas Lectures

The date for this year's EMC Christmas Lectures at the University is likely to change to Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. However, we will let you know more as soon as we receive further confirmation from the University.

# All – FOR INFORMATION – Student Council Fundraising

The Student Council organised a fantastic Halloween costume competition and cake sale on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October, which raised a very impressive £118 for the Year 13 Prom. A massive thank you to all involved!







# All – FOR INFORMATION – Competition Updates

The Senior Maths Challenge took place before half term involving most of our students. Students have now received their results and congratulations to everyone who took part, it was a greatly enjoyable experience! The very challenging follow-on competitions, the Senior Kangaroo, and the first round of the British Maths Olympiad, will take place on Wednesday next week – good luck to the record-breaking 38 students who are involved in one of these competitions!

We're delighted to be hosting the KS5 Physics Team Challenge on Monday 21 November at the Future Skills Centre at Exeter College. We've invited teams from all over the South West to pit against each other in a series of interesting tasks, both written and practical. The challenge is a little different from the standard types of problem solving and will really test the ingenuity and Physics knowledge of those taking part. Competition will be very strong but I'm sure our own teams will do a great job of representing us whatever the outcome, and more importantly, I hope all the teams enjoy the day!

# All - FOR INFORMATION - Somerset Careers Fair and Exeter College Open Event

On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, representatives from EMS will be available to talk to any prospective students at the Somerset Careers Fair at The Venue, Junction 24, Bridgewater (<u>Somerset Careers Fairs 2022 (somersetebp.co.uk</u>) and Exeter College's Open Event between 4pm and 8pm - <u>Open Events (exe-coll.ac.uk</u>).

# All – FOR INFORMATION – Boarding Room Available

We have rooms available in boarding, so if there are any students who are not currently boarding but feel they may benefit from being based nearer to school, we ask that their parents get in touch by emailing <a href="mailto:finance@exeterms.ac.uk">finance@exeterms.ac.uk</a>. If you have general questions about boarding, please contact Grace Strachan: <a href="mailto:gracestrachen@exeterms.ac.uk">gracestrachen@exeterms.ac.uk</a>.

We will prioritise those most in need of the room based on travel distance or other exceptional circumstances. We will also consider those who would like a room for part of the week or on a temporary basis.