

Welcome to this end of term update from Exeter Maths School. This has been a very busy term and I am impressed with students' commitment to their studies as well as their achievements in a number of competitions and challenges out of the classroom.

**I hope you all have an amazing Easter break and a well-deserved rest and I look forward to welcoming all students back on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April - more details available below.**



### YEAR 13 - FOR INFORMATION

Year 13 mock assessments will continue after Easter. As a reminder the timetable for assessments are as follows:

Year 13 Mock TT 2023		AM 0900 start	PM 1315 start
Monday	27/03/2023		Pure & Mech (2hrs)
Tuesday	28/03/2023	Physics 1 (2hr15)	Pure & Stats (2hrs)
Wednesday	29/03/2023	NM/EP (1hr 15)	STEP 2 (3hrs)
Thursday	30/03/2023	Physics 2 (2hr)	
Friday	31/03/2023	Pure & Comp (2hr)	
Easter			
Monday	17/04/2023		
Tuesday	18/04/2023	Mech Minor (1hr 15)	CS Paper 1 (2hr30)
Wednesday	19/04/2023	Physics 3 (2hr)	STEP 3 (3hrs)
Thursday	20/04/2023	CS Paper 2 (2hr30)	Stats Minor (1hr 15)
Friday	21/04/2023	FM Core (2hr 40)	

### Year 12 – FOR INFORMATION – UCAS Parent Information Talk

The UCAS application window starts mid-May and after Easter we will officially launch the UCAS process with an assembly to students and an online Parents' Information Evening on Tuesday 18th April between 1700 and 1800. The UCAS Parent Information Talk will be a live event on Microsoft Teams using the shorten URL:

<https://bit.ly/EMSUCAS>.

After feedback from the recent Parent Survey, we have added an overview of the UCAS application process which can be found here - [Exeter Maths School | Tutorial Programme \(exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk\)](https://www.exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk)

## All – FOR INFORMATION – Message from the Pastoral Team

We hope you all have a lovely Easter holiday, however if for any reason you require support in the holidays here are some links that may be useful:

- Childline - 0800 1111 - Web: <https://www.childline.org.uk>
- Samaritans (24 hour helpline) - 116 123 - Web: <https://www.samaritans.org>
- Papyrus (Suicide Prevention Charity) - Tel: 0800 068 41 41 - <https://www.papyrus-uk.org>
- Kooth (Online Counselling & Support) - <https://www.kooth.com>
- Devon Rape Crisis & Sexual Assault Service - Tel: 01392 204174
- MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub in Devon) - Tel: 03451551071
- MARU (Multi Agency Referral Unit in Cornwall) - Tel: 0300 123 1116
- ChAD (Childrens Advice and Duty Service in Dorset)- Tel: 01305228558
- Somerset Social care - Tel: 0300 123 2224
- Shelter - Tel: 0808 1644660 - <http://www.shelter.org.uk>
- Nightstop (Emergency accommodation) - Tel: 01392 284281
- YES Centre (Youth Enquiry Service ) - Tel: 01392 331666
- Y-Smart (Drug & Alcohol Support) - Tel: 01271 388162 - <http://ysmart.org.uk>
- SPLITZ (Domestic Violence) - Tel: 0345 155 1074 - <https://www.splitz.org/devon.html>
- Foodbank - Tel: 07818 226524 - email: [info@exeterfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@exeterfoodbank.org.uk)
- NHS Non-Emergency Health Advice - Tel: 111
- CEOP (Child Exploitation & Online Protection Centre) - <https://www.ceop.police.uk>

**Look after yourselves and be safe.**

## All – FOR INFORMATION – Update from Boarding Team

Students had a great time at the bowling and pizza social last week, (March 21st) a great opportunity for everyone to get together, explore Exeter and take a break from revision, homework and cooking.

As always, the boarding team have been impressed with the students dedication to their schoolwork throughout this term and we have seen some fantastic meals being cooked in all 3 kitchens.

Year 13s have been busy revising for their mocks this week and the first week of next term so we do hope they manage to have a restful Easter break.



## All – FOR INFORMATION – Start of term plans

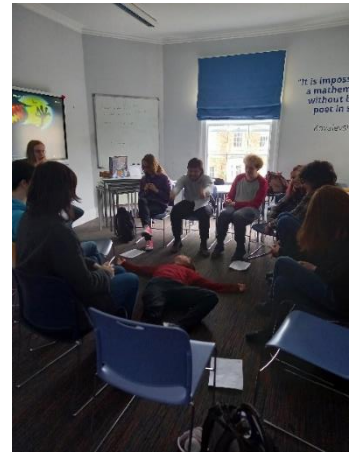
The term begins for students on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April and lessons will start at lesson 2 (10:45am). Staff will be back to work on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April for a training day.

Boarding will be open on the evening of Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April, but boarding students are welcome to arrive at EMS (main school) any time after 8 am on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

Exeter College will be open as normal on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April so please remember to go to your college lessons on Monday and lesson 1 on Tuesday. We appreciate this may not be possible for Boarding students so we have let Exeter College know some EMS students may be absent before lesson 2 on Tuesday.

## All – EMS News – Student Socials

It was great to see students let their hair down last week with some student social activities. Boarding students enjoyed an evening bowling on Tuesday and on Thursday all students engaged in a range of activities, including a craft session, planter building, badminton, a nature walk, board games, circus skills and a City Wall Trail.



## All – EMS News – Chess Competition – Regional Winners!

Our amazing Chess team took on reigning champions, Torquay Boys' Grammar School in the National Schools Chess Championship Regional Finals last week and won! They have now secured a place in the National Finals in June. Massive congratulations to the team and good luck at the Finals!



## All – EMS News – MathsWorks Maths Modelling Challenge

MathWorks Math Modelling Challenge (M3 Challenge), run by the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, is a free American online contest for American high school juniors and seniors and British sixth form students. Teams of 3-5 students solve an open-ended problem about a real issue during their chosen 14 continuous hours over the Challenge weekend. Teams work at locations of their choice, in person or using online collaboration tools. Scholarships totalling \$100,000+ or £75,000+ will be awarded in 2023. Additional awards are given for outstanding (and completely optional) code. M3 Challenge culminates annually with an in-person final event in New York City with all expenses paid for finalist teams.

This year, EMS entered two teams and of the 650 papers submitted, one of our team's solutions has been selected to receive one of the **22 honourable mention** awards. Less than 6% of the submitted papers were selected for prize recognition and M3 Challenge will be giving the 5 EMS team members a share of a \$1000 prize which is paid directly to the universities the students go to after they leave EMS, helping towards tuition fees or other educational purposes.

Congratulations to Cosmo, Fergus, George, Jude and Stanley – fantastic achievement!

## All – EMS News – English Speaking Board

On Thursday 23rd March nine of our year 13 students sat the English Speaking Board Certificate in Speech grade 6. Well, they stood it really! We had a visiting examiner who heard each student stand and speak to the group, reciting a poem or piece of published prose, reviewing a film or television programme and presenting a short talk on a piece of equipment or technology. We heard about such things as buckets, Wii consoles, ballpoint pens, chat GBT and refrigerators. One student had us close to tears describing a poignant part of a disaster film. The three students who chose to learn and recite poems completely wowed the examiner who asked me who had honed them to such excellent performances. I had to admit to her that they were just that good by themselves.

The results have just arrived and we are very pleased that all 9 students have passed either with merit or with distinction! Well done to all of you, Georgie, Ben, Mel, Cosmo, Ewan, Nick, Scarlett, Malik and Toby! Congratulations on sticking with it since the start of the year and coming up trumps in the final examination.

## All – EMS News – Crafty Maths!

We have added a page to our website promoting some fantastic craft projects with a Maths twist that anyone can get stuck into and some of our students have already tried. These projects have all been made and written up by the fantastic Claire Willman, utilising a range of skills including knitting, crocheting, cutting, folding and colouring. If you fancy giving any of the activities detailed on the website a go over Easter or anytime, we could love to hear from you with pictures of finished projects to [outreach@exeterms.ac.uk](mailto:outreach@exeterms.ac.uk). For further details and to see the amazing designs go to our website - [Exeter Maths School | Crafty Maths \(exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk\)](http://Exeter Maths School | Crafty Maths (exetermathematicsschool.ac.uk)).

