#### **EMS Parent Update 28**

Welcome to the penultimate update from Exeter Maths School for 2022/23.

Writing on the final day of A level exams, I have been so impressed with how Year 13 students have coped: without a doubt, this is the calmest exam season I can remember. Year 12 are now picking up the mantel with internal assessments and I have no doubt that they have benefitted from witnessing year 13's measured approach.

I am looking forward to celebrating the year 13's achievements in their EMC and Curriculum X projects at the awards ceremony on Monday and on A level results day on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August.

#### YEAR 13 - FOR ACTION – Year 13 Prom

Year 13 Prom is taking place next Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June between 6.30pm and 9.30pm at The Hall in Exeter. EMS will be subsidising the event, however we are asking a £12 contribution which includes soft drinks and refreshments on the night.

Can students please complete the following online form asap and by close of play on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June if possible - <u>https://forms.office.com/e/LnE16cLE7K</u>. Students are being asked to complete the form even if they are not attending. Further information will also be posted on Student Teams.

#### Year 12 - FOR ACTION - Travel passes for 2023/24

A reminder to Year 12 parents that if you haven't yet applied or paid for your child's travel pass for 2023/24, please do so as soon as possible and **before Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June** as all the details are being sent to Devon County Council next week. The cost of the travel pass for next year is £765 for the full year or £255 per term. To complete the form, please click on the following link - https://forms.office.com/e/fHUROUY78x.

If you have any queries regarding the travel pass, please email Dinah Lees at enquiries@exeterms.ac.uk.

#### YEAR 13 - FOR INFORMATION – EMC and Curriculum X Awards Celebration

We are looking forward to celebrating students' achievements in their EMC and Curriculum X projects at the awards ceremony on Monday afternoon at The University of Exeter. To confirm the details are as follows:

Date:	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
Time:	4pm to 6pm
Venue:	Amory Parker Moot Room, Amory Building, Streatham Campus, University of Exeter.
	Please see the following link for directions to the venue marked as building 29 - <u>Streatham</u>
	Campus map   Campuses and visitors   University of Exeter
Parking:	Please note that visitor parking on campus is extremely limited, and we strongly encourage
	attendees to park away from the campus.

#### YEAR 13 - FOR INFORMATION – A level Results Day

We are looking forward to seeing students on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August to collect their A level results. Results will be available to collect between 10.00am and 11.00am, however the school will be open until 4.30pm for students who cannot collect before 11.00am. Support will be available for any students who need to change their plans in light of the results or who have a query about their options or grades.

Students have been asked to complete the following online form as soon as possible to indicate their preferences for collecting their results -

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id= j\_KcdCNmEqH7icfHn5\_ZYRBy6-0LW9GvsweLDJOBxJUNDQzQzVHUUwzVThTV0JBSzhIUkJBSjI0RC4u

Further information has been sent to parents and students via email this week, including a copy of the Review of Results 2023 document.

# Year 12 – FOR INFORMATION – Oxford University Visit – Thursday 29th June

For those students who will be attending the trip to Oxford University on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June, the following is a reminder of the key timings and details:

- 06:30 Depart South Street, Exeter
- 07:00 Additional pick up at BP garage in Taunton (off junction 25) for those who have requested this
- 16:30 Depart Oxford
- 20:00 Arrive at additional drop off at BP garage in Taunton
- 20:30 Arrive back to South Street, Exeter

Students can message Liam directly if they have any further queries regarding the trip.

# Year 12 – FOR INFORMATION – Year 12 Assessments and Feedback

Year 12 assessments started on Wednesday this week and will continue for the whole of next week. There are no EMS lessons for the duration of the assessments.

On **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** students will be working on their EMC projects whilst teachers mark assessments, although the school will be open for those who need it, we expect students to work from home. On **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July**, students will complete activities relating to university applications, many of them will also support our "New Student Information Day". **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of July** will be an activity day (see below).

Feedback lessons will then run on **Thursday 6th July, Monday 10th July and the morning of Tuesday 11th July**. Students will be asked to book a 30 minute review meeting with their tutor for either **Tuesday 11th July (1400-2000) or Wednesday 12th July (0900-1200)** which parents are welcome to attend. This can be in person or remote via Teams or students can attend in person with parents logging in remotely. In this meeting students will receive their assessment results and their UCAS predictions - Liam will be sending more information to students next week.

# Year 12 - FOR INFORMATION - Social Day and Trip to the Beach

We are planning social activities, including a trip to Exmouth beach on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July for Year 12 students. It's normally a highlight of the year and a well-deserved opportunity to enjoy some company and relax post-assessments.

All students are expected to arrive in school at 9.30am where they will be registered and can join a range of activities such as Personal Statement writing, Board Games, Games in Northenhay Gardens and sorting out the library.

Students will leave school at 11.00am and will make their own way to Exmouth, some students may wish to use public transport, cycle, or drive to Exmouth to be registered at 12.30pm. Students will need to bring a packed lunch or some money for food, we will provide the picnic blankets!

A range of activities are going to be on at Exmouth Beach from Sand Art, Rounders, to Book Club, and Petanque. Unfortunately, students will not be allowed to swim whilst under our supervision.

All students will be supervised by staff at Exmouth Beach from 12.30pm – 3.15pm, students will then make their own way back to home, boarding, or school. Some students may wish to remain at Exmouth beach.

# Year 12 - FOR INFORMATION - SEND Reviews

Grace will be completing SEND reviews with the Year 12s after their assessments. If any parents feel that their child needs further support with their learning due to an additional need, please get in touch with Grace on gracestrachan@exeterms.ac.uk.

#### All – FOR INFORMATION – National Schools Chess Championship Finals

Our team of top chess players (Luke, Jenn, Ted, Max, Gethin, Will and James) have been getting as much practice as they can fit in around revision in the run up to the National Schools Chess Championship Finals in Nottingham next week. We are one of only four state schools in the country to qualify and the team have done incredibly well to get this far. The standard will be extremely high and there will be several matches over the two-day event so it's going to be tough, but our players are ready, and we wish them the very best!

#### All - EMS News - Poetry by Heart Competition - Well done Scarlett!

After coming out as joint winner of our internal Poetry by Heart competition in January, Scarlett in Year 13 recorded her two poems on video which we sent to the 2023 national competition. While she did not win the opportunity to recite at The Globe in London (this time round) she was awarded a HIGHLY COMMENDED certificate with some useful feedback from the director of Poetry by Heart. Congratulations to Scarlett and we hope she will continue to learn poems by heart and share them with confidence!

# All – EMS News – Year 13 Leavers BBQ



The sun shone again for our leavers BBQ for Year 13 on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May. It was lovely to spend time relaxing with students before they went on study leave.

# All – EMS News – Primary Outreach

Nine of our Year 12 students (Katie, Florence, Tilly, Sethini, Heather, Rozenn, Tom, Max and Ollie) went out to Montgomery Primary school to run some fun Physics workshops with the Year 6 students on the topics of light and sound. The Year 6s really enjoyed the afternoon, getting stuck into the activities our students had set up for them with bags of enthusiasm and plenty of questions. Lots of wow moments and newly discovered interest in Science! Feedback from the staff and students at Montgomery was incredibly positive and they wanted to know when we could come back! Thank you to Malcolm for organising this event.