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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Happy half term, everyone!**

It's amazing how much we manage to fit into these shorter half terms. With the darker winter days, the February break always seems to arrive at just the right moment, an opportunity for everyone to rest, reset and get ready for the real arrival of spring.

A huge thank you to our Early Years and Year 1 families for your flexibility and support as we temporarily moved up to the main site following the flooding. We're hopeful that everything will be fully restored for next term.

This week has been busy across the school:

- Our GCSE Sport Studies groups visited the university as part of their programme.
- Some of our Year 10 students spent time at Exeter College, exploring opportunities through the Apprenticeships programme.
- On Thursday, our primary phase enjoyed 'Express Yourself' day by coming to school in their own clothes a colourful and joyful way to celebrate individuality.

On Monday and Tuesday, we also welcomed our second Trust-based review of the year, which this time included our primary phase. As always, our staff were fantastic, and as a community we should feel incredibly proud of all we achieve together.

We are also continuing our work to build greater climate awareness into our curriculum and daily thinking. Mrs Edmunds has been leading this important initiative, and you can find out more about the project on our website.

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Next term

Upcoming Dates

- 23rd February – School INSET Days
- 23rd February – Exeter Cathedral School Open Event
- Week beginning 23rd February – Year 11 Mock Exams Begin
- 26th February – Year 7 Parents' Evening
- 5<sup>th</sup> March – Year 9s options event

### **Parent Feedback**

Year 10 Work experience – Some parents have feedback that they have not received information on the Work Experience Programme. This was shared during our recent Year 10 parents evening, with timelines in the resources that were shared via Arbor for parents that were not able to attend.

**Feedback form**

<https://forms.office.com/e/mhQRPsh3NW>

Have a great half term.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Phil Arnold', is positioned above the typed name.

Phil Arnold  
Headteacher