

Parent, Family and Community Briefing

Friday 17th November 2023



Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust

...everyone in our Trust.



Humanutopia

As part of our Humanutopia journey, on Tuesday this week our Year 9 Heroes were trained in order to prepare them to deliver workshops to our Year 7 students on Wednesday.

We had 12 Year 9 students who developed their leadership skills and who did an amazing job running the Year 7 session. Our Year 10 Heroes also attended so that they could share their experience and expertise from their journey last year.

This the start of the Year 9 Heroes journey where they will attend regular training sessions throughout the year in order to become positive role models and leaders for the school. What a fabulous start, well done to them all!

Family Voice Survey on College Improvement

We would really appreciate your feedback on the key areas of our college improvement journey. An increasing amount has been achieved in college but we need to know that this improvement is being understood and felt by all our students and their families.

A Family Voice Survey link has been sent to you all. Your feedback on the questions within this form will further inform and shape our work throughout the academic year. [Click here to go to the survey.](#)

Many thanks in advance for providing this feedback and for your ongoing support in working with us for every student. The survey results will be reviewed by the Senior Leadership Team from the 1st December 2023.

Eco Warriors

The Eco Warriors had a fantastic (yet smelly!) day on Wednesday sorting through all of Wednesday's waste from the college. There were some real eye-opening finds and a lot of them were surprised at the amount of waste generated in just one day at the college. The Eco Warriors are really looking forward to producing an action plan that can help the college to reduce waste production and make the college a much eco-friendlier place.



Careers Fair

We are opening our Careers Fair to parents, students and all ages of the local community on the evening of the 6th 4-7pm. No need to sign up, just come along and see for yourself the wide variety of local businesses and education providers that will be attending and explore the options they have in store for either yourself or your children. There is still time to sign up to hold a stand at the event, please do get in contact via careersfair@dmatschools.org.uk to discuss.

Principal's Oke 8 Champion Awards

Congratulations to Ruby Hobbs in Year 9 who took part in a Music for Youth concert at the Royal Albert Hall this week. This was a very prestigious event that she was invited to in celebration of the brass playing and music-making she does week in and week out both at school and as part of the Devon Chamber Brass Ensemble. Well done Ruby what a fantastic achievement and opportunity.



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DMAT
Careers Fair

Are you eager to explore exciting career opportunities? Are you a parent looking to support your child's pathways? Join us at this years Careers and Employment Fair.

Date: December 6th, 2023
Time: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Location: Ashbury Hotel, Okehampton, EX20 4NL

What to Expect:

- Explore Diverse Career Paths
- Interactive Skills Workshops
- Meet Local Employers
- College and University Representatives

This event is **FREE** and open to students, parents and all ages of the local community!

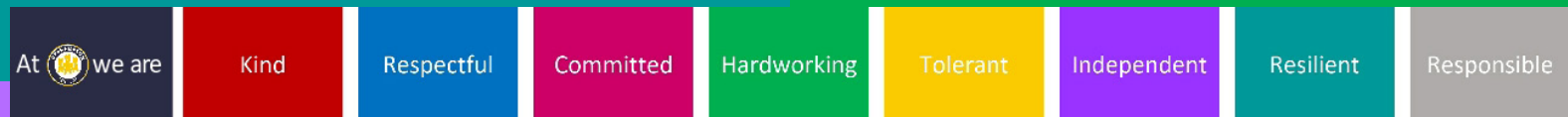
For more information, please contact us at careersfair@dmatschools.org.uk

The Manor & Ashbury Resorts
Spa | Sport | Craft | Golf



KEY DATES

- Thursday 23rd November 2023 – Exeter Schools Cross Country event for PE students
- Wednesday 29th November 2023 – Year 11 Parent Consultation Evening – The first half of this evening will be online meetings with face-to-face meetings offered from 5.15pm.
- Thursday 30th November 2023 – Edwardian Evening.
- Wednesday 6th December 2023 and Thursday 7th December 2023 – DMAT Careers Fair at Ashbury Golf Club.
- Friday 15th December 2023 – End of School Term. The day will finish at 1.30pm for students.
- Tuesday 2nd January 2024 – Staff INSET Day.
- Wednesday 3rd November 2024 – Students return to College.
- Thursday 4th – 25th January 2024 – Futuresmart Careers appointments for all Year 11s.



Book Signing with Michael Morpurgo

The author Michael Morpurgo will be in Okehampton on the 16th December for a book signing event for the children of Okehampton and surrounding areas.

This will take place at Fairplace United Church in Okehampton on Saturday 16th December 3pm-4pm for a special Christmas signing event. If you have any queries, please do contact us at the bookshop: Tel: 01837 657563 or email info@dogberryandfinch.co.uk

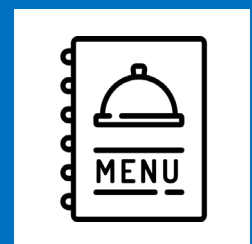
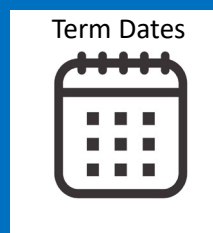


Dogberry & Finch Books presents
A Christmas Book Signing with Sir Michael Morpurgo
Saturday 16th December
3pm - 4pm
Fairplace United Church
3 Fairplace Terrace,
Okehampton EX20 1DT

More info
www.dogberryandfinch.co.uk



USEFUL LINKS



Please click on these icons to view the 2024 – 2025 Term Dates and also the Okehampton College canteen menu for next week. Alternatively visit our website; www.okehamptoncollege.devon.sch.uk