

On the evening of **Thursday 24th November** pupils from Years 5 and 6 enjoyed the first in this year's series of 'How Our World Works' Evening Talks. Our guest speaker was **Dr Helen Atkins, Associate Professor of Microbiology at the University of Exeter**, who spoke about her work to develop protection for people against infection; sometimes even using microorganisms that could be highly dangerous.

After the talk, pupils took the opportunity to take a closer look at an assortment of bacteria (in the form of furry toys) and to test out equipment used and developed through Dr Atkins's work. Thank you to everyone who attended and an especially big **THANK YOU** to Dr Atkins for an inspirational insight into the world of microbiology. We all thoroughly enjoyed our evening!

