



Learning for Life

6th September 2023 Issue 01

Welcome Back!

It has been wonderful to have all the children back today and see their smiling faces in and around school. Please can I remind you that with so many children to get in the school gates it will really help if you can say a brief goodbye, drop and go so the paths are clear for the next class. If you have alternative arrangements for picking up, for example due to a different parent collecting, please can you make sure that your child knows this too.

Willand Word

Welcome to the first regular issue of the Willand Word for the new school year. Willand Word normally comes out every **Wednesday**. It is an important method to let you know what is happening, for example, if clubs are starting or if there are any changes to planned activities. The Willand Word will be sent out electronically via the school gateway system. If you would like it emailed to another contact, please let the office know.

SchoolGateway

You can also use the SchoolGateway system to pay for items online, for example uniform, school meals and educational visits. Register for this at <https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/login> and download the SchoolGateway app from the app store or Google Play.

Opening of the new Bike Pump Track

Year 6 pupils have been invited to take part in the opening of the new track on Friday. Your child will bring a letter home with them tonight with details of the event. Please complete and return it to school tomorrow.

Homework Club this term

Homework Club will start from the beginning of next week on the following days:

Monday Year 6

Tuesday Year 5

Wednesday Year 4

Places are by invitation only, which will be sent out later this week. Children will be collected from the drive gate.

As the hot weather returns...

It is important for ALL children to bring a hat and a drinks bottle to school each day. Please remember no glass bottles and not to carry bottles in book bags as leakages often damage reading books.

Welcome New Parents and Children

We welcome to Willand School the parents and children who have joined us at the start of this term. I hope that you will enjoy being part of the Willand School community and we look forward to getting to know you. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know through the office or speak to your child's class teacher.

Emails

If you need to contact your child's teacher, please use the year group email addresses below:

yearr@willand.devon.sch.uk

year1@willand.devon.sch.uk

year2@willand.devon.sch.uk

year3@willand.devon.sch.uk

year4@willand.devon.sch.uk

year5@willand.devon.sch.uk

year6@willand.devon.sch.uk

After-school Clubs this term

After-school Clubs will start from the beginning of next week on the following days:

Monday Year 5 Football (*will not start until 25th Sept*)

Tuesday Year 2 Multi-skills and Year 4 Football

Wednesday Year 3 Gymnastics

Thursday Year 3 Football and Year 6 Netball

Places are limited and will be offered on a 1st come, 1st served basis. Children can be signed-up via the parent evening booking system from 7pm this evening until this Friday @ 9am.

Swimming Volunteers

We would like to invite parents to volunteer to support our school's swimming programme. This would be a regular commitment of a few hours per week, travelling by coach to and from Exe Valley Leisure Centre and supporting the children in the swimming pool. If you would be interested, please phone the school office for an application form.

Contact us: Telephone: 01884 820367 / 829463 Website: www.willand.devon.sch.uk Email: office@willand.devon.sch.uk
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Online Payments: <https://login.schoolgateway.com> PTFA: willandschoolptfa@gmail.com

Safeguarding - From time to time the school may need to make referrals to Children and Young People's Services

AUTUMN TERM 2023

6th September	Start of term
W/C 11 th September	Homework and After-school clubs begin (<i>apart from Year 5 Football</i>)
12 th October	Parent Consultations
17 th October	Parent Consultations
20 th October	Harvest Festival
23rd-27th October	Half Term
MONDAY 30 th October	Non-Pupil Day
17 th November	BBC Children in Need Day
21 st November	Open Afternoon for 2024 Reception intake
5 th December	Y1&2 Play Dress Rehearsal
6 th December	Y1 & 2 Play 1.30 pm 5.30pm
7 th December	Homework clubs finish
8th December	Reception Classes Christmas Celebration 9:30am
11 th December	Reception & KS1 Party
12 th December	KS2 Party
13 th December	Christmas Lunch
15 th December	End of Autumn Term

SPRING TERM 2023

2 nd January	Non-Pupil day
3 rd January	Start of Spring Term
8 th January	Homework club starts
1st & 6 th February	Parent Consultations
12 th -16 th February	Half Term
7 th March	World Book Day
TBC	Arts week
28th March	Homework club finishes End of Spring Term

SUMMER TERM 2023

15 th April	Start of Summer Term Homework club starts
13 th -17 th May	Year 6 KS2 SATS
26 th May	Non-pupil day
27th May – 31 st May	Half Term
12 th June	Willand Welcome
17 th June	Dartmoor Residential week
25 th June	Sports Day
28 th June	Reserve Sports Day /Homework Club Finishes
12 th July	Reports out
15th July	Teachers available for parents
17 th July	UKS2 Play Dress rehearsal
18 th July	UKS2 Play
TBC	Certificate Assembly
22 nd July	Leavers Party
23rd July	Leavers' Assembly
24th July	End of Summer Term

Road Works from Tuesday, 12th September

We have received notification there will be road works in Silver Street, adjacent to Willand Football Ground for approximately 7 days. There will be temporary traffic lights to enable the road to remain open but please be prepared for possible delays. This may impact on ability to park on Silver Street.

Parking

Please can we start the new school year with parents being considerate about how and where they park.

EVENTS

Please see the noticeboard outside the school office for the following events:

Kids Holiday Heroes – School Holiday Club for children aged between 5yrs and 11yrs. 8:30am-4:00pm Monday-Friday during school holidays only. This is an independant company run by two of our teachers who will be holding the club at Willand School. For more information, please see attached flyer or parent information board.

Please note that we are unable to check on the validity of the companies or the people running the schemes, and if those working with children have the correct police checks.

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 11th September

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Westcountry beef burger in a plain bap	Chicken Fajitas	Roast beef	Chicken curry Naan bread and rice	Harry Ramsden`s Fish
Vegetarian burger in a plain bap	Quorn Fajitas	Quorn sausage	Macaroni cheese	Homemade Cheese Wheel
Potato wedges/ pasta Baked beans/ peas Salad Bar	Rice/pasta Mixed vegetables Salad Bar	Roast/mashed Potatoes Yorkshire pudding Fresh Carrots Gravy Salad Bar	Green Beans Salad Bar Crisps	Chips / Pasta Seasonal vegetables Tomato Sauce Salad Bar
Ice cream and peaches Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Syrup sponge and custard Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	American Pancake and cream Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Strawberry jelly and fruit cocktail Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Chocolate orange cake Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
PASTA POTS with Italian tomato sauce, cheese, beans or tuna JACKET POTATO with cheese, beans or tuna WRAPSWITH FILLINGS: Ham, Chicken or Cheese				

Keep safe and keep well
Anne Hawkins
Headteacher

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