

# **Learning for Life**

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#### Good News!

I thought you would like to know that Willand School won a Devon School Games Virtual Award for our commitment to PE during lockdown.

Grateful thanks to James Marshall at Excelsior Group who provided weekly PE sessions for us ably assisted by Jack, Anya, Oscar, Asa and Nyra who are proudly wearing their PE Leader Hoodies. Also to his wife and daughter who were the film and recording crew. You can see the PE sessions on Willand PE YouTube: <a href="https://rb.gy/k94wlw">https://rb.gy/k94wlw</a>. There are lots of practical ideas of how to support your child's physical development depending on their age and ability. Whatever else is happening it is important that we keep moving!

A number of our children were also successful in winning awards: Callum (Y6) was awarded 1st place and Zac R (Y6) was awarded 3rd place for their designs for a seventh school games value to complement passion, self-belief, respect, honesty, determination and teamwork.

Aaron M (Y1) also won joint first place for his dance competition entry.

Well done to them all!

# **Online Safety**

Dear Parents,

As part of our remote learning provision in the summer term, we were sending regular links to online safety lessons and resources to use with your children at home, provided by parent zone. Parent Zone is a great resource to look at if you have concerns about what your children may be accessing online, and a great source of advice on how to keep their devices safer for them to use.

They've created a new parent hub. <a href="https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/">https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/</a> There are games and activities to help your child to understand online safety, and resources for parents too. It's well worth a look. You can also sign up to receive regular updates and helpful suggestions.

We will continue to provide links to resources for parents as we become aware of them, and are always here to help if we can.

Mrs Pauline Maynard (Online Safety Co-ordinator)

### AGM

Wednesday 30th September. PTFA AGM via Zoom - If you click on this link from your device it should take you to Zoom.

https://zoom.us/j/99605807979?pwd=b2dHZGZkcnVBMC 93eDZKaWgxMkN1QT09 - Meeting ID: 996 0580 7979 Passcode: 5ku24v

All parents and carers most welcome. Please join us. 8:30pm-9:30pm.

You are most welcome just to listen, or to join in. Agenda to follow.

Help raise funds for and improve our lovely school! Contact Joanna Jacobs via the PTFA Facebook page, willandschoolptfa@gmail.com or 07983 099 324.

## Photos - Year 6 and Reception

Please can all school photo proofs be returned by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

#### **School Lunches**

Just a reminder that from there will be a change to the Dinner Money Arrears Policy for accounts that are in debt by £15 or more. This is the total amount owing for the family, not for individual children.

From 1st October 2020 the school will ask you to provide your child with a packed lunch until the debt has been cleared. If you request further lunches without clearing the account your child will be given a school packed lunch for which you will be charged the full lunch price, which is currently £2.30.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that all lunches must be paid for in advance.

## Google Classrooms- Meet the Teacher now live!

Hopefully you are all now able to log in to Google Classrooms and have had chance to view the Meet the Teacher videos which are on there. Please do look at these as they may help with additional information about what your child is learning about in their class. From this week homework is being uploaded onto Google Classrooms.

Home School Books with Google Classrooms log ins should be coming home with your child each night together with reading books which have been issued to most classes now.

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Online Payments: https://login.schoolgateway.com

# **COVID-19 Testing updates**

After requests from parents and to ensure that everyone in each bubble is kept informed we are sending emails when pupils are being tested and again when we have the results. If this is increasing your anxiety or you would rather not have the emails sent to you for any other reason please let the school office know and we will remove you from the list.

#### **Parent Consultations**

You will have received an email today with details of the Parent Consultations, which will be held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October and Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October from 4pm to 7pm. These will be video appointments. If you have not received the email with the sign in guide please contact the school office.

## **Home Learning**

The teachers are now working to develop home learning packs for using if your child has to remain at home. These will be organised in four tiers.

**Tier One**: If your child is poorly, then obviously they are not required to do any work.

**Tier Two**: if self-isolating (first 48 hours perhaps waiting for result of a test of a family member) — once the teachers know, they will assign work on Google Classrooms using Oak Academy, BBC Bitesize, Mathletics, Times Table Rockstars, Spelling Shed or Maths Shed.

**Tier Three:** if your child needs to self-isolate for longer (after initial 48 hours) the teachers will assign your child to specific work and activities on /google Classroom linked to the current curriculum. This will need to be handed in on Google Classrooms for teachers to see but cannot be sent in to be marked. Parents can then request printed sheets if needed.

**Tier Four:** If the whole bubble is isolating, this will include the teacher, then work will be provided to pupils via Google Classrooms. Teachers will mark and return this as we did during lockdown.

## **Coats & Layers**

With the change in weather conditions and temperature, it is essential that children have layers as the classrooms have to be ventilated. Children also need to bring coats in to school, as they will be going out to play where possible. Please can you help by practising with your child how to do their coats up — especially their zips. Thank you.

## **Hand Sanitiser**

We have gallons of hand sanitiser in school. Please only supply your child with their own sanitiser if they are not able to use ours due to a medical reason. This also helps us to keep track on their hand sanitising to keep them safe.

#### Save our Books

A gentle reminder, please could you remember not to put drinks into book bags as drinks bottles often leak and then spoil the reading books.

# **Birthday Sweets and Cakes for Class**

Please can we ask that you do not send sweets and cakes in to class for your child's birthday. This then avoids any hurt or disappointment for the many pupils who have special dietary requirements or allergies. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### Snack

All children in Foundation and KS1 are provided with a piece of fruit every morning. There are pictures on the KS1 and Reception doors of the fruit for the next day. If you would like to provide an alternative snack please ensure that it is a healthy item, not sweets

## School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme for KS1

W/C	21 Sept	28 Sept	5 Oct	12 Oct	19 Oct
	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020
Mon	Pear	Pear	Pear	Pear	Pear
Tues	Apple	Apple	Apple	Apple	Apple
Wed	Carrot	Radish	Easy	Easy	Easy
			Peel	Peel	Peel
Thurs	Banana	Banana	Banana	Banana	Banana
Fri	Carrot	Carrot	Carrot	Carrot	Carrot

Lunch Menu for week commencing 28th September 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Goujons	Lasagne	Roast Gammon & Pineapple	West Country Sausage	Fish Fingers
Vegetarian Chilli	Vegetarian Lasagne	Cheese & Broccoli Bake	Vegetarian Quiche	Cheese Wheels
Rice or Pasta Mixed Vegetables Tomato Sauce	Garlic Bread Green Beans	Roast/Creamed Potatoes Fresh Carrots	Creamed Potato or Pasta Baked Beans or Peas	Golden Fries or Pasta Seasonal Vegetables Tomato sauce
Syrup Sponge & Custard	Tinned Fruit Ice Cream	American Pancake & Ice Cream	Chocolate Cracknel & Apple Slice	Iced Sponge Fruit Juice

Best wishes Anne Hawkins Headteacher

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