



Learning for Life

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Parent Consultations

You will have received an email earlier this week with the details of how to book for the Parent consultations taking place on Thursday 10th October and Tuesday 15th October. The booking system will be open from **7pm today**, which can be accessed by clicking on the following link <https://willandschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>.

Individual and Family Photographs

Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Thursday 10th October**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).



Flu Immunisations

The immunisation team will be in school tomorrow. The nasal spray will only be given to children if the team have received parental consent by 30th September via the immunisation portal.



World Record Attempt

Tomorrow, the children will be cheering on Lexi Chambers as she wheels through Willand as part of her World Record attempt journey

from John o'Groats to Land's End. Lexi is an army veteran, ex-NHS nurse, and below-knee amputee who battles with Chronic Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), Fibromyalgia, and severe nerve issues. Despite these challenges, she is wheeling an incredible 1500 km in just 35 days, which is the equivalent of a marathon a day in just a standard wheelchair.

Year 5 Bikeability

Parents of Year 5 children will have received an email regarding Bikeability, which will run this year from Monday 14th – Thursday 17th October. To sign your child up, please complete the Google form linked.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTn4Q-d5RgguuRqrScyrMJGRfvA6jtFC0-cVx6-cHM50rqVA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

Drumming Lessons

Matt, our drum tutor currently has limited vacancies for this term, please contact him on 07875537516 or matt.parr@btinternet.com



Attendance

As part of Devon County Council's drive to improve school attendance, we will be sharing our attendance statistics with you for the week ending Friday, 27th September 2024.

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	97.00	3	96.03
1	95.71	4	95.45
2	94.89	5	96.43
		6	95.65

The Current National figure for comparison is 96.2%

Term Dates 2025/26

The term dates for 2025/26 will be finalised this week and circulated to parents as soon as they have been agreed.

*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher*

Online Safety – 'Wake Up Wednesday'

This week's theme is ...



Online Safety for Foundation and Key Stage 1 Families:

The NSPCC have released some new resources to help you talk about online safety with your children. They introduce the Techosaurus character and look like a lot of fun. They are free to order, or you can make a donation (they suggest £6). <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/techosaurus/>.

Online Safety for All:

The NSPCC also have great resources for you to use with your older children and teenagers, as well as links to other resources that may be helpful. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

Remember that talking with your child about what they are doing online is the most important thing you can do. If you ever need support, don't hesitate to contact us.

As always, if you have any questions relating to online safety, please contact Mrs Maynard (Online safety Lead)

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SEND Information

Devon Family Hub Parent/Carer Newsletter In October's issue...

Dates FOR YOUR DIARY - information about upcoming events the Devon Digital Team are running.

Top TIPS - this month's Top Tip topic is *saving money while raising a family*.

RULES AND BOUNDARIES... and how to maintain them!

HOME SCHOOLING - In recent years, home schooling has experienced an unprecedented surge, largely driven by the pandemic-induced shift to the remote learning model. What are the advantages and disadvantages? Read on to find out more.

All ABOUT EYES... AND TEETH - Your child's oral and eye health is so important. We share information and tips on what steps you can take to keep your child's teeth and eyesight in tip-top shape.

Healthy PACKED LUNCHES - Healthy packed lunches are important because they help children to get the nutrients they need to grow, develop, and learn. Stuck for ideas? We share a few...

To view the contents of the Newsletter [CLICK HERE](#) or on the "Go to this Sway" link below).



We had an awesome time at **Comic Drawing Club** this week! We got super creative, turning simple stick figures into our very own characters. It was so much fun!

Shoutout to **Sophia**! Last week, her amazing artwork was shown, but we accidentally said she was in Year 6—she's actually in Year 5! Oops, sorry, Sophia!



To be continued

REQUEST FOR CONTACT

Devon Family HUBS

0-19
(25 WITH SEND)



Action for Children are supporting Devon Family Hubs. Family Hubs are a developing network of services and community groups that are working together to support families and their children to find opportunities that meet their needs. Please see our website for more details.

OUR SUPPORT:

Online
Digital Chat



For more information
Devon Family HUBS
website



Family HUBS Advice & Guidance Line -
Mon-Fri 10am to 4pm

0800 538 5458



National Poetry Day

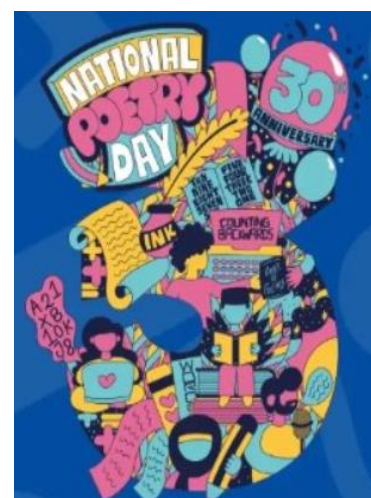
What is National Poetry Day? Aiming to inspire a love of poetry, this annual event provides a fantastic opportunity to explore and celebrate poetry.

This year, National Poetry Day takes place on Thursday 3 October 2024, and the theme is 'counting' and to celebrate we would like to share the following poem

The Terrible Ten

- 1 do a stroll like a tiger
- 2 do a grr like a bear
- 3 do a scuttle like a spider
- 4 do a leap like a hare
- 5 do a stretch like a lion
- 6 do a flap like a bat
- 7 do a swoop like a barn owl
- 8 do a nibble like a rat
- 9 do a sway like an eagle
- 10 do a cluck like a hen

Then it might be nice
Just once or twice
To do the ten
AGAIN!



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PTFA NEWS



Hi Everyone!



We are looking forward to seeing your home bakes on Monday 14th October. Bakes need to be brought into school on that day. Please remember to label any allergens used and that we are a nut free school.



We are currently making plans for ordering Year 6 leavers hoodies. We have received samples, which will be available at parents consultation evenings to enable parents to check sizes in advance of placing an order later this term.


Dates to remember!


  **14th October** Cake Sale  

 **18th October** AGM 6.30pm 

 **8th November** Rudolfs Rainbow Non-uniform 

 **29th November** Disco 

 **8th December** Winner, Winner Chicken Dinner

Bingo 

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Your PTFA Team

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 7th October

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pepperoni pizza	Italian Bolognese	Roast Turkey with sage and onion stuffing	Sausage Rolls	Fish Fingers
Cheese pizza	Quorn chicken noodles	Cheese & onion pasty	Cauliflower Cheese	Vegetarian Fingers
Potato Wedges/ Pasta Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Spaghetti Garlic bread Green beans Crisps Salad Bar	Roast/Mashed Potatoes Fresh Carrots Gravy Salad Bar	Pasta/mash Baked Beans/ Peas Salad Bar	Chips / Pasta Seasonal vegetables Tomato sauce Salad Bar
Meringue nests, peaches and cream Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Chocolate cake and chocolate sauce Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Cheese and crackers or Smoothie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Fruit Cocktail and Ice-cream Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Homemade Cookie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
PASTA POTS with Italian tomato sauce or cheese JACKET POTATO with cheese, beans or tuna WRAPSWITH FILLINGS: Ham, Chicken or Cheese				

DATES to remember...

Thursday 3 rd October	Flu immunisations
Thursday 3 rd October	Uffculme School Open Evening for Yr5/6 parents – 6pm-8pm
Thursday 10 th October	Cullompton CC Open Evening for Yr5/6 parents – 4pm-7pm
Thursday 10 th October	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 15 th October	Parent Consultations
Friday 18 th October	Harvest Festival
Friday 25 th October	Non-pupil Day
Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November	Half Term
Class Assemblies – <i>start time 9:10am unless otherwise stated</i>	
Friday, 8 th November	3W
Friday, 15 th November	5C
Friday, 10 th January	4WL
Friday, 17 th January	6N
Friday, 24 th January	6G
Friday, 31 st January	4MA
Friday, 7 th February	5T
Friday, 7 th March	3P
Friday, 21 st March	2R
Friday, 28 th March	2S
Friday, 16 th May	Reception Classes
Friday, 20 th June	1MP
Friday, 27 th June	1HB
Tuesday, 22 nd July	Leaver's Assembly – Time TBC
For full calendar of events, please click below – Calendar Academic Year 2024-25	



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EVENTS

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

Honey Bees's Holiday Club, Willand Copse, Forests School, Uffculme Road, Willand

Cooking, wreath making, pumpkin carving, natural crafts, scavenger hunts for children aged 4-8years

Mon 28th October – Fri 1st November 8am-5pm,
£35per day inclusive of meals and snacks.

Please phone Tel No 01884 798150 for further information

Craft Fair, Saturday 19th October 1pm-3:30pm, Willand Village Hall – Free entry. For further information please add Willand crafty family and friends on Facebook.

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.

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