

Parent Consultations

You will receive an email later today with the details of how to book for the parent consultations taking place on Thursday 9th October and Tuesday 14th October.

For parents of children in Class 2R: Unfortunately, Miss Ruffle is unavailable on Tuesday and has scheduled her second consultation evening for Monday, 13th October from 4pm to 7pm.

The booking system will be open from **12noon tomorrow**, which can be accessed by clicking on the following link <https://willandschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>.

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, 26th September 2025

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	97.48	3	97.01
1	97.36	4	96.47
2	93.97	5	94.66
		6	96.00

The Current National figure for comparison is 95.4%



This weeks house point scores:

4th Place: Cornwall 165 points

3rd Place: Somerset 175 points

2nd Place: Dorset 180 points

1st Place: Devon 182 points

Running total for the term:

Devon	Dorset	Somerset	Cornwall
584	537	551	589

Keep up the great work everyone!

Individual and Family Photographs

Our photographer will be in school on Friday 10th October.

Please can children who normally have PE on Friday wear school uniform rather than PE kits.

If your child has a younger sibling (not attending Willand School) and you would like a family photo taken, then please arrive from 8am.



Photos will be in the school hall so entry will be via the Reception class entrance. These are family photos so are for babies and up to starting school age. Siblings currently in school will have both an individual and family photo taken during the school day.

Safeguarding Information –

Anger Management in Children – NSPCC

Every year many thousands of children are referred to Childline for anger issues. Anger management in children is one of the top mental health concerns in childcare. Anger and the ability to control it are key skills of adulthood. Violent thoughts frequently bubble underneath human interactions. Anger is the quickest way for those thoughts to become reality. For this reason it is tightly regulated in our society. Children must learn to overcome anger so that they do not fall a foul of strict controls on violent conduct. However, this is difficult for children to learn to manage since anger is remarkably powerful. Yet as parents and teachers there is no choice but to teach them to reign these emotions in. This can be hard knowledge to impart, but the NSPCC has produced helpful resources to aid you in that vital mission. If interested, please follow the link below:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/arguments-conflict-family-tension>

Guitar Lessons this Week

Unfortunately, due to the difficult traffic conditions today, Mr McGowan has not been able to get into school for booked guitar lessons. These will now be held on Friday and can children please bring in their guitars on this day.



*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher*

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Online Safety –

'Wake Up Wednesday'

You will see posted on the parent information board, the latest top tips from the National College. This week's theme is ...

'Snap Chat'

With over 900 million active monthly users and billions of 'Snaps' sent each month, Snapchat is a popular messaging app among children and young people. It allows users to share fun, spontaneous pictures and videos with friends and family while using playful filters. One of Snapchat's unique features is that pictures, videos and messages are only viewable for a short period of time.

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



Don't forget ...

Tomorrow is The Poetry Day 2025, with the theme 'Play'.. Organised by the [Forward Arts Foundation](https://forwardartsfoundation.org), the event encourages everyone to explore, create, and share

poetry through fun, imaginative activities in schools, libraries, and communities to foster a greater appreciation for the art form. We will be celebrating the day in school, but you are encouraged to take part at home too. There are lots of poems to read aloud at <https://forwardartsfoundation.org/national-poetry-day/poems-and-resources/> and on the BBC website <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/articles/zr6yd6f>

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 6th October 2025

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 pasta	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				

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PTFA

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Monday, 13th October

@ 6:30pm

Willand School Hall

Everyone Welcome!

Kids Holiday Heroes

Wrap around care at Willand School

We are open from 8-9am and from 3.30-5.30pm Mon-Thurs and 3.30-5 each school day. Ther service will be available for all children from Year 2 to Year 6.

The cost of wrap around care will be £5.80 per hour.

During our breakfast club from 8am to 9am we provide your child with a healthy breakfast. A healthy snack and drink will be available during the after-school club.

For Bookings or any further questions, please email bookings@kidsholidayheroes.co.uk

EVENTS

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

Willand Rovers – Would like to invite Willand school children and their families to experience the excitement of live football in a safe, friendly and welcoming environment. For one Saturday home fixture in both October and November we're offering your school 25 tickets. Each ticket entitles one child free entry when accompanied by an adult who will pay half price. Please contact Willand Rovers for further details

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.

AUTUMN TERM 2025	
Thursday 4th September	Start of Autumn Term
Tuesday 16 th September	Year R Phonics Parents Meeting
Wednesday 17 th September	Tiverton High School Open Evening for Yr 5 parents – 5pm-7pm
Thursday 25 th September	Cullompton CC Open Evening for Yr5/6 parents – 4pm-7pm
Thursday 2 nd October	Uffculme School Open Evening for Yr5/6 parents – 6pm-8pm
Tuesday 7 th October	Yr 3 Farmwise Visit
Thursday 9 th October	Parent Consultations
Friday 10 th October	Family & Individual Photos
Mon 13 th – Fri 17 th October	Schoolastic Book Fayre
Tuesday 14 th October	Parent Consultations
Friday 17 th October	Yr 6 Dawlish visit
Thursday 23 rd October	Harvest Festival
Friday 24 th October	Non-Pupil Day
Mon 20 th – Fri 31 st October	Half Term
Wednesday 5 th November	Parent Tour for Reception '26 @ 9:30am
Friday 7 th November	Class 5C Assembly
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th November	Anti-bullying week
Monday 10 th November	Parent Tour for Reception '26 @ 9:30am & 1:30pm
Tuesday 11 th November	Armistice Day
Thursday 13 th November	Flu immunisations
Friday 14 th November	BBC Children in Need Day
Friday 14 th November	Class 5S Assembly
Tuesday 18 th November	Parent Tour for Reception '26 @ 9:30am & 1:30pm
Friday 21 st November	Parent Tour for Reception '26 @ 9:30am & 1:30pm
Friday 28 th November	Class 3P Assembly
Tuesday 9 th December	Y1 & 2 Play Dress Rehearsal @ 1:45pm
Wednesday 10 th December	Y1 & 2 Play @ 1.30 pm 5.30pm
Thursday 11 th December	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 12 th December	Reception Classes Christmas Celebration @ 9:15am
Monday 15 th December	Reception & KS1 Christmas Party
Tuesday 16 th December	KS2 Christmas Party
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 19 th December	Non pupil Day
Monday 22 nd December	Start of Christmas Holiday

Diary

SPRING TERM 2026	
Monday 5 th January	Start of Spring Term
Friday 9 th January	Class 6N Assembly
Friday 23 rd January	Class 6G Assembly
Thursday 5 th February	Parent Consultations
Friday 6 th February	Class 2R Assembly
Tuesday 10 ^h February	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 10 ^h February	Safer Internet Day
Mon 16 th - Fri 20 th February	Half Term
Friday 27 th February	Class 2T Assembly
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Friday 13 th March	Class 3WL Assembly
Friday 27 th March	Class 4MC Assembly (Easter Assembly)
Thursday 2 nd April	Non-Pupil Day
Friday 3 rd April	Start of Easter Holiday

SUMMER TERM 2026	
Tuesday 22 nd April	Start of Summer Term
Friday 1 st May	Class 4H Assembly
Monday 4 th May	May Bank Holiday
Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th May	Year 6 KS2 SATS
Friday 15 th May	Class RMB Assembly
Mon 25 th – Fri 30 th May	Half Term
W/C Monday 1 st June	Multiplication Check
Friday 5 th June	Class RT Assembly
W/C Monday 8 th June	Phonics Check
Wednesday 10 th June	Willand Welcome
Friday 12 th June	Class 1G Assembly
Friday 19 th June	Class 1HP - Assembly
Tuesday 23 rd June	Sports Day
Thursday 25 th June	Class & Sports Photographs
Friday 26 th June	Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 6 Transition Days for Cullompton CC & Uffculme School
Friday 10 th July	Pupil reports out
Monday 13 th July	Teachers available for parents
Wednesday 15 th July	UKS2 Play Dress rehearsal
Thursday 16 th July	UKS2 Play
Monday 20 th July	Leavers Party
Tuesday 21 st July	Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 22 nd July	End of Summer Term

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