

Recruitment

Following successful interviews this week, we are pleased to announce that Mr. Stuart Silk has been appointed as the new Year 3 teacher to replace Mr Watts. Mr. Silk brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to our school, and we are confident that he will be an excellent addition to our team.

To ensure a smooth transition for the children, Mr. Silk will be in school all of next week. During this time, he will have the opportunity to meet the class and work closely with Mr. Watts and the Year 3 team. This will help Mr. Silk familiarize himself with our teaching practices and get to know the students.

Class Assembly

4MA class are holding their class assembly on **Friday** at 9.10 am. All parents of these children are welcome to come and watch. Entrance to the hall will be via the Foundation Stage doors.

Dartmoor Residential Trip Instalment Payment

Just a reminder that the third instalment for the Year 6 Dartmoor residential trip is due on 31st January.

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, 24th January

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	95.85	3	94.58
1	92.59	4	97.22
2	90.21	5	97.54
		6	93.06

The Current National figure for comparison is 95.4%

Parent Consultations

You will have received an email last week with the details of how to book for the Parent consultations taking place on Thursday 6th February and Tuesday 11th February. The booking system is now open and can be accessed by clicking on the following link

<https://willandschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/> .

*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher*

SEND Information

Message from the Mid Devon Mental Health Support Team...

*Dear parents/carers,
Due to changes in staff, we wanted to reintroduce ourselves to you as the Mid Devon Mental Health Support Team.*

*We will be at the **Parents' Evenings** on **Thursday 6th and Tuesday 11th Feb 4:00-5:30pm** so please do come and find us to ask any questions, we'd love to see you! If you are unable to see us on the dates above and have any questions, please do talk to Mrs Telling, who is your Designated Mental Health Lead.*

More information about the Mental Health Support Team can be found here

<https://childrenandfamilyhealthdevon.nhs.uk/our-pathways/mental-health-support-team/>



MHST - Meet the team

We are your Mid Devon Team here at Willand Primary School working as part of the Mental Health Support Team (MHST)



Who We Are

The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) are an early intervention service focused on evidence based, guided self-help to help improve children and young people's mental health. We offer therapeutic support to young people as well as working closely with school to develop the whole school awareness of mental health and emotional wellbeing.

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Online Safety – 'Wake Up Wednesday'



Attached are the latest top tips from the National College.
This week's theme is ...

'Health & Fitness Apps'

A study entitled *The Digital Health Generation* has highlighted that more than 70% of young people in the UK, some aged just 8, are using apps and other digital online technologies to track and manage their health

📱❤️ For those of us who might struggle with sticking to a routine or even knowing where to start, physical wellbeing and fitness apps promise to do the heavy lifting for you 🍴 providing meal plans, exercise routines and more.

However, some of these apps aren't always as safe as they might first appear, and they tend to present a few risks to their users – especially for their underage demographic. That's why we've put together this free guide on safety concerns around physical wellbeing apps, to provide you with expert advice on how to mitigate these risks for young people.

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

Diary to remember...

Friday 31 st January	Class 4MA - Assembly
Thursday 6 th February	Parent Consultations
Friday 7 th February	Class 5T - Assembly
Tuesday 11 th February	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 14 th February	Non-pupil Day
17 th – 21 st February	Half-term Break
For full calendar of events, please click below – https://willand.devon.sch.uk/Calendarofevents.pdf	

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 3rd February

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	Iced Sponge Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
PASTA POTS with Italian tomato sauce or cheese JACKET POTATO with cheese, beans or tuna WRAPSWITH FILLINGS: Ham, Chicken or Cheese				

EVENTS

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

SENsationals Support Group for parents with children who have additional needs. This confidential, non-judgmental group meet fortnightly on Thursday mornings between 10am-12noon at St Mary's Church Hall Willand. For further details see parent noticeboard or telephone Sam: 07890429062 or Kim 07721610785.

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