

Welcome!

Welcome to Mr Silk, our new class 3W teacher. We hope that he feels welcomed to the team and is enjoying life at Willand School.

Class Assembly

3P class are holding their class assembly on **Friday, 7th March** 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.

Swimming Gala Success

Congratulations to the children from Years 4, 5 and 6 who represented the school at the swimming gala on the 12th February. The children swam brilliantly, and we finished in second place, just one point behind the overall winners!

Well done Team Willand and a big thank you to Mrs Goff, Mrs Shearer and Mrs Harvey who help teach the children how to swim every week.



Year R Vision Screening – Friday, 28th February

The Vision Screening team are coming into school this coming Friday and we would like to remind **those whose parental preference is to 'opt out' must complete the appropriate form and return to the school office before the visit.**

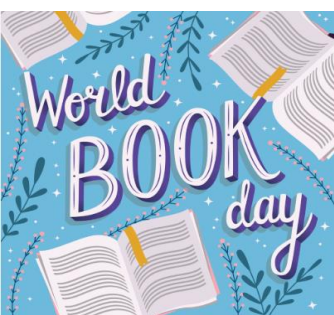
Please contact the school office to request a form if you would like to 'opt out'.

World Book Day – Thursday, 6th March

Don't forget – This year we are inviting staff and children to dress up as a **WORD** and take part in a **VOCABULARY PARADE**.

Choose a favourite word or one that allows your imagination to go wild!

Check out the internet for ideas!



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 Thursday, 13th February 2025.

| Year Group | %Attendance | Year Group | %Attendance |
|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Reception | 93.53 | 3 | 93.83 |
| 1 | 91.30 | 4 | 93.81 |
| 2 | 94.61 | 5 | 94.60 |
| | | 6 | 94.11 |

The Current National figure for comparison is 94.8%

*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher*

SEND Information

Devon Family HUBS

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REQUEST FOR CONTACT

SCAN ME

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

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Online Safety – 'Wake Up Wednesday'

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



'WhatsApp'

According to Ofcom's most recent Media Use and Attitudes Report, roughly 55% of 3-17-year-olds in the UK are using WhatsApp as their primary messaging service

✍ Not only does that make WhatsApp the most popular messaging platform among children and young people in the UK; it also means that of the app's approximately three billion users, over seven million of them are British youngsters – keeping in touch with friends and family, but also being exposed to its various risks ⚠

As parents and educators, it's our responsibility to stay up-to-date on the safety concerns around this highly popular app, and know how to protect children and young people who are on the platform 🛡 That's why we've put together this expert-led free guide, breaking down WhatsApp's most prominent risks and advising you on how best to safeguard the app's younger users.

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

DATES to remember...

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|--------------------------------|--|
| Thursday 6 th March | World Book Day |
| Friday 7 th March | Class 3P - Assembly |
| Friday 21 st March | Class 2R - Assembly Red Nose (Comic Relief) Day |
| Friday 28 th March | Class 2S - Assembly |
| Friday 4 th April | Easter Assembly End of Spring Term |

For full calendar of events, please click below –

<https://willand.devon.sch.uk/Calendarofevents.pdf>

EVENTS

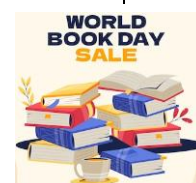
Please see the noticeboard outside the school office for the following events:

Willand Pre-school, Gables Lea, Willand

Word Book Day Bonanza Book Sale

Tues 4th & Thurs 6th March, 3pm-4pm

Cash & Card accepted



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.

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

| 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 | | | | |

Celebrate Pancake Day

With St Mary's Church
at Willand Church Hall, Rectory Close

No charge but
donations are welcome

Bible story and songs

Family friendly
activities

Decorate pancakes



Children should be accompanied by an adult

Contact Claire Nichols for more info:
claire.culmvalleychurches@gmail.com mob:07419740742

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