



Learning for Life

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Comic Relief

Don't forget to be an 'Odd Bod' **this coming Friday**. For a donation, children are asked to wear something odd and colourful.

When choosing an outfit, we would like it to be fun but please be mindful of the class activities for that day eg: sensible shoes for PE, any t-shirt slogans are respectful for the church visit and others. Remember the Comic Relief moto is:

'Do something funny for money!'

-**Guess how many red M&Ms**. For 20p per guess, there is still time to guess how many red M&Ms are in a jar. The winner will be announced at the end of the week.



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, 8th March 2024.

Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	91.79
1	94.10
2	95.08
3	95.38
4	94.85
5	94.99
6	94.11

The Current National figure for comparison is 94.6%

Willand Sports News ...

East Devon Netball Finals

On Wednesday, 6th March the netball team travelled to the King's school to compete in the East Devon Finals.

They played their first match in their group against Littleton Primary school and won 6-5. They then went on to play Beer Primary winning 11-0. We demonstrated excellent passing and shooting in this match.

Having won both of our matches we qualified for the quarter finals and played against a very tall Sidbury team, unfortunately losing 5-2.

Mrs Bosworth was extremely proud of our excellent teamwork, passing in centre court and our sportsmanship.

Our MVP was Chloe.

Well done team Willand!

Sienna, Chloe, Delilah, Elliott, Jakub, Jordan, Jersey and Phoebe



Freestyle Football Workshop

Last week, we had a special visit from Jamie Knight, a professional freestyle footballer who is based in London. Children benefitted from an inspirational day with Jamie, learning new tricks and skills. The feedback from our children has been amazing and we hope this has encouraged

children to be active and try something new!



Healthy Snacks at Breaktime

Please encourage your child to bring a healthy snack to school for break time. Below is a list of examples:

- Fruit
- Dried fruit (eg raisins)
- Vegetables (eg carrot sticks)
- Rice cakes
- Yogurt pouch/tube

There will of course be many other examples of healthy snacks not listed here that you may provide your child with and so this should serve as a general guide. The school staff will use their discretion at break-time but will certainly be asking pupils to save crisps, chocolate bars, biscuits and cakes etc for lunchtime!

We would like to remind families, that children in Reception and KS1 have free fruit provided each day for them at breaktime.

We hope this provides some clarification for everyone. Thank you for working with us to ensure all our children receive a healthy start to life.

Please remember we are a NUT FREE school.



*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
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Year 3 Swimming

Thank you to all parents who have already made a voluntary contribution towards the 7 swimming sessions. If you have overlooked this, contributions can still be accepted online at www.schoolgateway.com or cash / cheque payments can be made via the school office. The total cost is £16.45 for all 7 sessions (or £2.35 per session). Cheques to be made payable to Devon County Council.

Please be aware that we are only able to continue offering visits because of parents ongoing support.



Online Safety – ‘Wake Up Wednesday’

Have you heard of the internet matters website?

It's full of great online safety advice for you and your child, whatever their age.

Follow this link and then choose the appropriate sections for the ages of your children.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/>



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

Casual Mealtime Assistant Vacancies

We are looking to recruit casual Mealtime Assistants who are able, to come into school and cover at short notice. If you are interested and would like further information, please contact the school office.

PTFA News...

We hope everyone's child is excited to take part in our Eggceptional competition... it's lovely for us to be able to donate prizes to something that celebrates the students of Willand School.

Don't forget our next tuck shop will be held on the 22nd March and a price-list will be published before the event.

We are very happy to be able to start talking about our big fundraising project! It's a huge undertaking but with your support I'm sure it's something that we can achieve! From what we have been told the children have been having an amazing time planning this and it's lovely to know so many of their ideas have been incorporated into the plans. See our Facebook page for more details.

One of the largest fundraising events for the PTFA this

year will be the upcoming Spring Fayre... we hope as many of you as possible can join us! We are looking at making this a real village event, not only will this event raise money for the project but will also create a sense of community that will encourage local businesses to potentially donate to our projects in the future.

Events this large won't run

without your help and support so please contact willandschoolptfa@gmail.com if you can volunteer some time to us on the day. We are also looking for donations of raffle and tombola prizes.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Your PTFA Team



Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 18th 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, cheese, beans or tuna JACKET POTATO with cheese, beans or tuna WRAPS WITH FILLINGS: Ham, Chicken or Cheese				

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Diary

SPRING TERM 2024	
Friday 22 nd March	PTFA Tuck Shop
Thursday 28 th March	2S Class Assembly
Thursday 28 th March	Homework club finishes End of Spring Term

SUMMER TERM 2024	
Monday 15 th April	Start of Summer Term Homework club starts
Friday 26 th April	3WA Assembly
Friday 3 rd May	3P Assembly
Sunday 5 th May	PTFA Spring Fayre, Willand Rovers
Monday 6 th May	May Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th May	Year 6 KS2 SATS
Friday 17 th May	2R Assembly
Friday 24 th May	Non-pupil day
Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May	Half Term
Wednesday 12 th June	Willand Welcome
Friday 14 th June	Both Reception Classes Assembly
W/C Monday 17 th June	Dartmoor Residential week
Friday 21 st June	1HB Assembly
Tuesday 25 th June	Sports Day
Friday 28 th June	1MP Assembly
Friday 28 th June	Reserve Sports Day /Homework Club Finishes
Friday 12 th July	Reports out
Monday 15 th July	Teachers available for parents
Wednesday 17 th July	UKS2 Play Dress rehearsal
Thursday 18 th July	UKS2 Play
TBC	Certificate Assembly
Monday 22 nd July	Leavers Party
Tuesday 23 rd July	Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 24 th July	End of Summer Term

EVENTS

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

Kids Holiday Heroes, Willand School

Tues, 2nd-Thurs, 11th April

8:30am-2:00pm - £25 per session

New Activities: Romans Workshops ♦ Making Salt Dough ♦ Tie Dye T-Shirts ♦ Painting Story Stones ♦ Making plant pots and planting sunflowers ♦ Making Slime ♦ Slacklining ♦ Making boats out of recycled material ♦ Designing and creating friendship bracelets ♦ Science Day - making volcanoes and getting messy!

Please book by using the link:

<https://bookwhen.com/kidsholidayheroes>

Muddifords Court Easter Holiday Club, 2nd-12th April.

8am-4pm - £41 per session

8am-6pm - £45 per session

Meet The Gruffalo at Muddifords Court, Sunday, 7th April

11am-2pm - £6 per child

For more information regarding the above events, please contact enquiries@kingwoodchildren.org.uk or check Willand School's parent information board.

Exeter & Culm Valley Hornets Hockey Club – Kids intro to Hockey, 6 week course, cost £24.

Tuesday evening from 5:55pm–6:55pm, commencing 16th April. Please contact juniorhornets@outlook.com

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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