

Class Assembly

2R 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.

Comic Relief

Don't forget this Friday is Comic Relief Red Nose Day and to celebrate, the school council would like to ask staff and children to



Wear what makes you feel happy!



If you would like to donate, this would be most welcome.

Concerns About Early Drop-Off of Pupils at Silver Street Gates

Recently, it has come to our attention that some children are being dropped off at the Silver Street gates at around 8:35/8:40, before the official school gates open at 8:50am. While we understand the need for flexibility in the mornings and that some children want to be independent, however with the volume of traffic coming through the village at this time of day it has raised significant safety concerns.

We have also been made aware that some of our pupils are spending time unsupervised in the local park before and after the school day. While we understand the appeal and benefits of enjoying the outdoors, we are concerned about the potential risks, including injuries or other safety concerns that may arise when children are not under adult supervision.

To ensure the wellbeing of all pupils, we kindly ask parents and guardians to supervise their children if they are in the park outside school hours or ensure that their child knows what to do if they do become injured and are there alone.

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, 14th March 2025

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	93.20	3	95.02
1	91.96	4	98.93
2	97.71	5	97.90
		6	97.14

The Current National figure for comparison is 94.8%

Willand Sports News ...

CVSA Cross Country at Killerton

Willand School was represented this week by a superb group of students who gave their all in a running event at Killerton House. The sun was out, and the ground was perfect! We had some great results, including several top 3 places. A special mention to Elsie who took the top spot in her race. The result was combined with October's and overall Willand School came 2nd out of the Culm Valley Schools- 2 places higher than last year! Well done Team Willand.



Late Arrivals Ordering Lunch

If your child has an early morning appointment or is running late, please always phone the school office before 9:30am to place their lunch order to avoid any disappointments.

Can we also remind you that meals **must** be purchased in advance at reception or online at

<https://login.schoolgateway.com> Many thanks.

*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher*

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Online Safety –

'Wake Up Wednesday'

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



'Roblox'

Online multiplayer games like Roblox are enjoyed by millions across the world and can be a great way for friends to socialise; however, they can also expose young people to a variety of potential harms. Roblox is a multi-platform game that enables people to play anonymously, which can often be something that attracts people to misuse the game and put younger players at risk of harm.

In addition to interacting with random strangers across the world, it's important to be aware of other risk factors, such as in-game purchases and potential scams that can put young people at risk financially. We've created this week's free guide – also available in podcast format – offering parents and educators expert advice about what can be done to ensure that young people have a safe and enjoyable experience with Roblox.

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

Safeguarding Information –

We would like to remind parents about the free talk being held at Culmstock Primary School by Ian Yorston on **Thursday 27th March** which aims to bring together local parents to join the conversation on **"phones, friends, free time and fake news"**. Please find attached information and Eventbrite link below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/myevent?eid=1268343332049>

Bringing together local parents to join the conversation

"PHONES, FRIENDS, FREETIME & FAKE NEWS"

Ian Yorston will host a talk and discussion on phones and tech for kids

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
27th March	CULMSTOCK VILLAGE HALL EX15 3JW	6PM - 7PM

Free to attend

Everyone welcome!
Glass of wine or beer will be available for those who would like.

SEND Information

SENSATIONALS SUPPORT GROUP

We are a group of parents who run a support group for parents with children who have special needs.

Everything is confidential and non-judgmental

It's a very friendly group, where we can talk openly about our worries and struggles, and then support each other through our own experiences and help with strategies we have used and can signpost you to extra support with local agencies. You do not need a diagnosis of anything to come to the group.

we meet fortnightly on a Thursday morning
10:00am - 12:00 noon

St Mary's Church Hall
The Rectory, Rectory Close
Old village, Willand
Cullompton
EX15 2RH

We ask for a £2 donation and this goes to the hire of the room and supplies of tea, coffee and biscuits.

If you are interested or would like more information please call Sam on 07890429062 or Kim 06721610785.

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 24th March

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Westcountry beef burger in a plain bag	Chicken Fajitas	Roast beef	Chicken curry Naan bread and rice	Harry Ramsden's Fish
Vegetarian burger in a plain bag	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				

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

Diary to remember...

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 <i>End of Spring Term</i>
Tuesday 22 nd April	Start of Summer Term
Monday 28 th April	PTFA Bake Sale
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th May	Year 6 KS2 SATS

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, Easter Party Event,
Willand Village Hall
Saturday, 12th April – 2pm-4pm**



JOIN US FOR AN
Easter Party
 Saturday 12th April
 2pm - 4pm
 Willand Village Hall
 Gables Road, Willand, EX15 2PL

CHILDREN'S TICKETS INCLUDE
 Bouncy Castle 🍌 Easter Hunt 🍌 Easter Crafts
 Biscuit Decorating 🍌 Easter Photo OPS

OPTIONAL EXTRAS
 Raffle • Name The Bunny
 Refreshments • Cake Sale

SCAN TO BOOK
 Alternatively you can visit our Facebook page
 or email fowpreschool@yahoo.co.uk

TICKETS
 £4.00 per child
 Adults FREE
 Under 1s FREE
 (ticket required)

Fundraising event in aid of Willand Preschool.
 All proceeds will go towards new role play equipment.



With thanks to our sponsors for this event:



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 Mondays 5-5:45pm
 Foundation to Year 2

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 Mondays 6-7pm
 Years 3 to 6

✓ All Stars @ Bradninch
 Fridays 5:30-6:15pm
 Foundation to Year 3

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All Stars and Dynamos with Bradninch and Kentisbeare Cricket Club

All Stars Cricket provides a fantastic first experience for children where they're guaranteed 8 weeks of jam-packed fun, activity and skills development. The programme is designed to introduce children to the sport, teaching them new skills, helping them make new friends and have a great time doing so.

If you have any questions, please do get in contact -
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