

The
Willand
Learning for Life

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Class Assembly

Year 2S are holding their class assembly on Thursday, 28th 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.

Willand Sports News ...

Football

-Year 4 8 vs 1 Kentisbeare

A massive well done to the Year 4 football team who played brilliantly to win against Kentisbeare. The team showed fantastic attitude and sportsmanship in a fantastic victory. **MVP Jayce**

-Year 5/6 5 vs 3 Kentisbeare

Wow, what a fantastic game to watch! Willand showed fantastic attitude to win the game. We were 3-1 up with 10 minutes to go when Kentisbeare scored 2 quick goals to tie the game 3-3. However, Willand bounced back with a fantastic strike from Jenson hitting it into the top corner to seal the win. **MVP Albert**



RD Parent Meet & Greet with Mr MacLeod

We are holding a meeting for **parents of children in Class RD on Tuesday 26th March at 2.40pm** to meet Mr MacLeod, their children's new teacher after the Easter break.

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, 15th March 2024.

Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	89.14
1	91.86
2	87.78
3	91.51
4	96.73
5	93.97
6	92.98

The Current National figure for comparison is 94.6%

RED NOSE DAY 2024

Thank you to the School Council for organising the Comic Relief fund raising last week. The children and staff had a wonderful time and are pleased to say a fantastic **£313.64** was raised. Well done everyone!

After-School Clubs

We would like to remind parents that this is the final week for the Spring term after-school Clubs. Please look out for an email early next week with news of our after-school activities programme for April May and information on how to book your child a place.

Scooters/Bikes on School Grounds

Polite reminder that children should not be riding their scooters or bikes on the school drive or grounds. Staff will ask any pupil not following this rule to get off and walk alongside their scooter/ bike. We are doing this to prevent accidents with other people, pushchairs or vehicles following a couple near misses recently. Staff will ask children to get off and walk their equipment in. Please can we also ask that children are wearing helmets when on their bikes or scooters.

Punctuality



Did you know? If you are 15 minutes late each day you will have missed a full 2 weeks of school in one year

*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher*

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Coats in School

Although we are heading towards summer, the weather is still quite changeable. Please can we ensure children still bring coats to school.

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.

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...

As you can tell from our many Facebook posts, plans for our Spring Fayre are in full swing. Have a look through the posts and if you can help in any way, please get in touch! We are looking for performers, volunteers and also for raffle/tombola prizes.



Due to the non-pupil day next Friday our next tuck shop will be held this Friday, (22nd) after-school ... please see below the price list.

Thank you for your on-going support.
Your PTFA Team



Online Safety – 'Wake Up Wednesday'

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

'10 Top Tips for Developing Healthy Sleep Patterns'

Dreaming of a decent night's sleep? 🤔💡 Many of us are – and it's a particularly pervasive problem for young people. The effects of poor-quality sleep on a developing mind, of course, can be harmful over a prolonged period.

Although a significant portion of under-18s struggle for shut eye, there is still plenty we can do to support them in getting the beneficial rest they need during those formative years. Compiled in conjunction with our friends at award-winning mental health charity Minds Ahead, this week's #WakeUpWednesday guide has tips on helping children to develop healthy sleeping habits. 🛌

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

Dartmoor Residential Trip Instalment Payment

Just a reminder that the final instalment for the Year 6 Dartmoor residential trip is due on Friday, 25th March.

A pink poster for the Willand School PTFA Easter Tuck Shop. It features a white rabbit and several colorful Easter eggs. Text includes: 'Willand School PTFA', 'EASTER TUCK SHOP', '2 For 50p: Freddo, Haribo, Fruit Snacks', '50p: Bunny Popcorn, Easter Cheese Balls, Rainbow Pencils, Popping Candy, Biscuits', '£1: Pick N Mix Bags, Ring Pop, Zed Sour Candy Lick, Rainbow Wheel Lollipop, Candyfloss, Bunny Lolly, Rabbit "Poop"', '£1.50: March 22nd, Jubilee Field After School, Pick N Mix Bags', and 'We will also be displaying entries for our Eggeptional Easter Egg competition and handing out some eggs!'.

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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-4:00pm - £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.

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.

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 25th March 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY <i>Menu Change</i>	FRIDAY
Pepperoni pizza	Italian Bolognese	Roast Turkey with sage and onion stuffing	Fish Fingers	School
Cheese pizza	Quorn chicken noodles	Cheese & onion pasty	Vegetarian Fingers	
Potato Wedges/Pasta a Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Spaghetti Garlic bread Green beans Crisps Salad Bar	Roast/Mashed Potatoes Fresh Carrots Gravy Salad Bar	Chips / Pasta Seasonal vegetables Tomato sauce Salad Bar	
Meringue nests, peaches and cream Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Lemon cake Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Cheese and crackers or Smoothie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Homemade Cookie 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				

Diary

SPRING TERM 2024	
Friday 22 nd March	PTFA Tuck Shop
Tuesday 26 th March	Year RD 'Meet & Greet'
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

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