

Learning for Life  
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### A Message from the School Council...

*We are delighted to announce that we have raised enough money for the KS2 playground adventure course. The School Councils most recent event (Break the Rules Day!) has raised*

*£607.83, which raised the final amount we needed for the playground.*

*There have been so many contributions such as: The PTFA, Moto who donated £500, the School Council, who thought of countless events to raise money and our school community, who have helped along the way.*

**Thank you!**

*Isla (School Council Chair) and  
Patrick (School Council Vice-Chair)*

### Dartmoor Residential

Once again, our year 6's have just had their Dartmoor residential, what amazing weather they skillfully booked for it!

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the staff who supported our residential trip to Dartmoor. Your dedication, care, and enthusiasm ensured our pupils had a truly memorable experience—full of adventure, learning, and teamwork. From organising activities and supporting our pupils, day and night, to encouraging everyone to challenge themselves and try new things, you have made a lasting impact.

We appreciate the time, effort, and commitment you gave to make this trip such a success.

### Behaviour in the Local Park

We have recently received reports of children using disrespectful language and displaying poor behaviour in the local park outside of school hours, particularly on the pump track where there has been a couple of recent incidents when children have been seriously hurt. While these incidents are not taking place on school grounds or during school time, such behaviour can significantly impact the reputation of our school and the sense of safety and respect within our local community.

At Willand School, we expect all pupils to demonstrate respect, responsibility, and positive behaviour at all times—both in and out of school.

Thank you for your support in encouraging our pupils to make safe and positive choices.

### 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, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	99.20	3	95.83
1	94.74	4	95.25
2	94.58	5	95.00
		6	92.66

The Current National figure for comparison is 94.7%

### Sports Day, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

We are really looking forward to our sports day next week and would like to remind you of the timings for the day:

**10:00am** – REC and KS1 Events

**11:30am-12:15pm** - Lunch - *Parents will be asked to leave the site at lunchtime if they are planning to watch the KS2 event.*

**1:30pm** – KS2 Events

**3:15pm** - Finish

The PTFA are kindly running a stall for refreshments.

Please bring your own chair or blanket to sit on.

**Please can all children come to school in their PE kit and as with every day during the summer term, they should bring a hat, a water bottle (both with their name on) and suncream applied in the morning before school.**



### Class Assembly

**Class 1MP** 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.

### HAF Programme

Later this afternoon all parents will receive an email with details of the summer HAF programme. We would encourage all parents to check this information to know whether their family are eligible.

*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 ...



### 'Emojis'

*They say a picture's worth a thousand words and when it comes to emojis, that's often true 📱😊💬 But in the wrong context, these innocent-seeming icons can take on a whole new meaning, sometimes hinting at things that aren't as light-hearted as they appear.*

*This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide breaks down some of the slang and symbols young people use online and explains how some could be masking real issues, from bullying and exclusion to harmful behaviours 🚫👤. With our handy cheat sheet and top tips, adults can keep pace with this ever-changing digital language.*

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



### Parking Issues

With **over 400 children now attending our school**, the roads around the site are busier than ever, especially at drop-off and pick-up times.

Our priority is always the safety of our pupils and the wider community, and we need your help to ensure that the start and end of the school day run smoothly for everyone.

We have recently had reports of cars being hit by other vehicles during drop-off and pick-up times, local residents' driveways being blocked, causing inconvenience and distress and congestion making it difficult for vehicles to access the area.

Please support us by:

**-Parking considerably:** Do not block driveways or park on pavements

**-Using designated parking areas** where possible

**-Keeping speed low** and being alert for children crossing

**-Walking, cycling, or scootering to school** if you live nearby, please ensure children are wearing helmets if riding bikes / scooters to school.

With such a large school community, Willand School cannot solve these parking and congestion challenges alone.

We need everyone's cooperation to keep our children and neighbours safe.

## Class and Team Photographs

On **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June**, Tempest will be taking whole class and sport teams photographs. If your child has PE on this day, please make sure they have a sweatshirt to wear over their PE kit, otherwise children should be wearing their school uniform.



For those children who have played in one of the school teams, please bring your PE kit into school to change into.

## Safeguarding Information –

### Connecting You – Fear Free

[Connecting You](#) is an online forum where people who have

experienced abuse can meet anonymously. When you join, you'll be able to share your experiences and meet other people who are on their healing journey. Connecting You is an inclusive space open to all survivors aged over 18 years who live in the Southwest. This is a pilot phase of this initiative that may be supportive for parents or family members impacted by domestic abuse.



## SEND Information

### Happy Maps: Help and Resources for Children's Mental Health

An award-winning website on children's mental health collating sensible and professional advice on common problems. With new self-help pages for young people.



<https://www.happymaps.co.uk/>



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## PTFA NEWS

*Hi everyone!*

 **Sports day** - we are selling a selection of drinks again for both the reception/KS1 and KS2 sports day. 

 **Non-uniform Day - Friday 4th July** in exchange for a chocolate raffle prize to go towards the school fete. 

 **School Fete - Friday 4th July 3.30-5.30pm**, we are looking for volunteers to help run stalls. If you can spare some time helping run a stall for an hour slot, please do get in touch. Money raised from the fete goes directly back into helping the children with trips, Christmas parties and the new playground. We hope to see as many of you there as possible. 

Thank you for your ongoing support.

*Your PTFA Team*



**URGENTLY NEEDED**

# WE NEED YOU!

**FETE VOLUNTEERS**

Please help us make this event a success!  
contact  
[willandschoolptfa@gmail.com](mailto:willandschoolptfa@gmail.com)



**WILLAND SCHOOL PTFA**

**FREE ENTRY**

# School Fete

**330PM - 530PM**

**FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

BOUNCY ASSAULT  
COURSE  
GO KARTS  
SWEET TREATS  
GAMES  
LOADS MORE

LOCATION:  
**WILLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL FIELD**

CASH PREFERRED PLEASE

## NON-UNIFORM DAY FOR CHOCOLATE TREAT!

**JULY  
4TH**



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## Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pepperoni pizza	Italian Bolognese	Roast Turkey with sage and onion stuffing	Sausage Rolls	Fish Fingers
Cheese pizza	Quorn chicken noodles	Cheese & onion pasty	Cauliflower Cheese	Vegetarian Fingers
Potato Wedges/ Pasta Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Spaghetti Garlic bread Green beans Crisps Salad Bar	Roast/Mashed Potatoes Fresh Carrots Gravy Salad Bar	Pasta/mash Baked Beans/ Peas Salad Bar	Chips / Pasta Seasonal vegetables Tomato sauce Salad Bar
Meringue nests, peaches and cream Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Chocolate cake and chocolate sauce Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Cheese and crackers or Smoothie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Fruit Cocktail and Ice-cream Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Homemade Cookie Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
PASTA POTS with Italian tomato sauce or cheese JACKET POTATO with cheese, beans or tuna WRAPSWITH FILLINGS: Ham, Chicken or Cheese				



### Kids Holiday Heroes Wrap around care at Willand School

We are open from 8-9am and from 3.30- 6pm each school day. The service will be available for all children from Year 2 to Year 6.

The cost of wrap around care will be £5.40 per hour.

During our breakfast club from 8am to 9am we provide your child with a healthy breakfast. A healthy snack and drink will be available during after school club.

For Bookings or any further questions, please email [bookings@kidsholidayheroes.co.uk](mailto:bookings@kidsholidayheroes.co.uk).

## D*Diary* to remember...

Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Class 1MP - Assembly</b>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photographs
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Class 1HB - Assembly</b> Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Transition Days for Cullompton CC & Uffculme School
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Non-uniform Day
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	PTFA Summer Fete
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Pupil reports out
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Teachers available for parents
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	UKS2 Play Dress rehearsal
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	UKS2 Play
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Leavers Party
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	<b>End of Summer Term</b>

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 Tiny Tots Baby & Toddler Group 0-5years

Wednesday Mornings

9:30am – 11:30am Term Time only

Willand Village Hall

£1 per person, under 6 months 50p this includes a drink and snack.

#### Cullompton Rugby Junior Section – New Season starts

7<sup>th</sup> September. For more information, please see parent information noticeboard or

[www.pitchero.com/clubs/cullompton](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/cullompton)

*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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