

Learning for Life

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Year 2 D&T - Thank you Tesco!

Year 2 have really enjoyed their DT unit over the last few days where they have been learning all of the skills to make a healthy breakfast. This wouldn't have been possible without parental contributions and also a very generous donation organised by Community Champion, Lisa, from Tesco in Cullompton which helped towards the cost of some of the ingredients. We are really grateful! We will also be sending them a photo of some of our children making their breakfasts so look out for it on the noticeboard when you next pop in.



UKS2 Play - Thursday, 18th July

There will be 2 performances of 'Shakespeare Rocks!', 2:00pm and 6:00pm for which there is a small admission charge of £2.00 for adults and

£1.50 for children.

Parents driving to school for the play should be reminded not to park in the Village Hall Car Park as these spaces are reserved for the organisations who have a Village Hall booking.

Class and Team Photographs

Tempest Photography have now sent through the details for the class photographs, which we have shared with you today via email. Please may we remind you that these photographs are for personal use and not to be shared on social media.

Strong Plastic Bags Urgently Required

Please could children bring to school, a strong plastic bag to take home their books next Tuesday.

Lost Property

Lost property tables will be set-up after-school, next Monday and Tuesday. Key Stage 2 will be available in the KS2 playground and Reception/Key Stage 1 will be available at the KS1 entrance.



Drumming Lessons

Matt, our drum tutor, currently has limited vacancies for pupils next term. If your child might be interested in learning to play the drums from September please

contact Matt on 07875537516 or

<u>matt.parr@btinternet.com</u> for details. You don't need to rush out and buy a kit, all that's needed initially is a pair of sticks and enthusiasm!

Attendance

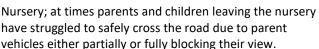
As part of Devon County Council's drive to improve school attendance, we will be sharing our attendance statistics with you for the week ending Friday, 12th July 2024.

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	91.28	3	88.55
1	97.50	4	94.91
2	96.32	5	93.23
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The Current National figure for comparison is 94.2%

Parent Parking - Gables Nursery

When parking at the start and end of the school day, please can parents observe the road bollards at the entrance to Gables



Well Done!

Five Year 5 girls have successfully completed their Gold Brownie Award. It is the highest award in Brownies, they have been working towards this for nearly two years completing badges, activities, camps and various challenges including fundraising for chosen charities and promoting environmental issues. Stevie, Katie, Ivy, Jessica and Holly!

Thank you for your continued support
Naomi Tottle
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SEND NEWS

Autism and Us' Parent Programme (Summer Term 2024)

Sent on behalf of the Communication and Interaction Team: Support from the Communication and Interaction Team - Education and Families (devon.gov.uk)

"Support for parents/carers of Devon primary and secondary children who are either on the autism assessment waiting list or who have received a diagnosis of autism.

Our 'Autism & Us' programme delivered this academic year will once again be offered during the forthcoming Summer term of the 2024-25 academic year for parents/carers of Devon DCC primary and secondary school children, pre or post diagnosis.

We are delighted to announce that we are offering access for families of CYP (Children & Young People) who are currently on the autism assessment pathway, in addition to families of CYP who have received an autism diagnosis.

Attending the 'Autism & Us' parent programme gives you an opportunity to develop your understanding of autism and look at practical solutions to managing and supporting your child's presenting needs, whilst also connecting with other parents/carers.

Full programme details and application process below:

Autism & Us programmes:

4 weekly 'live online' sessions (approx. 2hrs each) related to the following topic/themes: weekly 'live online' sessions (approx. 2hrs each) related to the following topic/themes:

Summer Term 2024				
No.	Topic	Programme 1	Programme 2	
1	Autism overview	Tues 24 Sept - 10 – 12	Thurs 14 Nov - 4.30 – 6.30	
2	Sensory	Tues 1 Oct - 10 – 12	Thurs 21 Nov - 4.30 – 6.30	
3	Communication	Tues 8 Oct - 10 – 12	Thurs 28 Nov- 4.30 – 6.30	
4	Understanding and supporting behaviour	Tues 15 Oct - 10 – 12	Thurs 5 Dec - 4.30 – 6.30	

Apply direct by email to: educationlearnersupport@devon.gov.uk to secure a place on either of the above programmes, or express your interest for forthcoming programmes.

We will confirm your booking request and provide you with a direct link to the event. They will be delivered online 'live' via the Microsoft TEAMs platform.

Additionally, we will also be offering the following very popular themed/topic based workshops, which lead on from the above programmes for themes/topics that may be a priority area for you against your child's presenting needs:

Topic	Date/Time
Introduction to DIAS (Devon Information & Advice Service + the Ambassador	Thurs 17 Oct 10-12
Volunteer Programme	
Autism – Sensory processing + integration	Tues 5 Nov 9.30-12.30
Autism and Girls	Wed 23 Oct 9.30 - 12
Autism – Demand avoidance + PDA	Wed 20 Nov 10 - 12
Autism – Communication (Speaking children – support strategies)	Tues 10 Dec 10-12
Autism – Managing stress + anxiety	Thurs 7 Nov 10-12
Autism – Vulnerability + online safety	Thurs 14 Nov 10-12
Autism – Communication (Non/Limited Speaking children – support strategies	Thurs 21 Nov 10-12

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

PTFA NEWS

Hi Everyone!

Our last tuck shop before the holidays will be held on Friday after school... we still have some wonky bars remaining and will be selling drinks, pick n mix and potentially sunglasses if the weather improves! We are going to try and start in September with all new stock so please help us clear what we have.

We recently announced our summer volunteer project on our Facebook page and have already had a great response! This is a really exciting project and would make a real difference to the children's learning experience if we can pull it off! If you can help in any way, please contact willandschoolptfa@gmail.com

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Your PTFA Team

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 22nd July

MONDAY	TUESDAY Menu Change	WEDNESDAY Menu Change	
Westcountry beef burger in a plain bap	Fish Fingers	Chicken Fajitas	Start of
Vegetarian burger in a plain bap	Vegetarian Fingers	Quorn Fajitas	Summer
Potato wedges/ pasta Baked beans/ peas Salad Bar	Pasta/mash Baked Beans/ Peas Salad Bar	Rice/pasta Mixed vegetables Salad Bar	Holidays
Ice cream and peaches Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Syrup sponge and custard Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	Chocolate cracknel Fresh Fruit Yoghurt	

PASTA POTS with Italian tomato sauce, cheese, beans or tuna JACKET POTATO with cheese, beans or tuna WRAPSWITH FILLINGS: Ham, Chicken or Cheese



SUMMER TERM 2024			
Thursday 18 th July	UKS2 Play		
Monday 22 nd July	Leavers Party		
Tuesday 23 rd July	Leavers' Assembly		
Tuesday 23 rd July	YRD visit to Backswood Farm		
Wednesday 24 th July	End of Summer Term		

EVENTS

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

St Johns Ambulance Recruiting Youth Volunteer

Recruiting 1 new volunteer has the potential to create an additional 8 spaces for young people in the area to join the SJA Cadet programme and help support our local youth offer to young people in the area. St John's Ambulance are really keen to promote these roles to support more young people & the local community in making them first aid competent and confident!

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.



How can you support young people in your local community in Exeter? Ask Us



St John Ambulance are looking for enthusiastic and committed adults (anyone aged 18+) to volunteer as Youth Helpers and Youth Leaders, to support young people hoping to join the local youth programmes. No prior first aid or volunteering experience is necessary, and it's a great way to develop your own skills whilst building first aid confidence in young people

Scan the QR code for more volunteering opportunities, or go to sja.org.uk/volunteer, or email devonyouth@sja.org.uk about volunteering in Devon



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