

*Welcome Back. We do hope that you had an enjoyable summer holiday.*

#### **Willand Word**

Welcome to the first issue of the Willand Word for the new school year. Willand Word normally comes out every **Wednesday**. We use the Willand Word to let you know what is going on in school. It is an important method of communication and will let you know, for example, if clubs are starting or if there are any changes to planned activities. The WW will be sent electronically via the School Gateway system (once you have signed up to it) to your child's first contact. If you would like it emailed to another contact or you would like a paper copy, please let the office know. We will also try to send out any other letters to you on a Wednesday.

#### **Welcome New Parents and Children**

We welcome to Willand School the parents and children who have joined us at the start of this term. I hope that you will enjoy being part of the Willand School community and we look forward to seeing you at forthcoming events during the year. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know through the office or speak to your child's class teacher.

#### **New Staff**

We welcome Mr Jacob Cawthorne, Mrs Hannah Williams and Miss Emma Phillips to the teaching staff. I know that you will offer them help as they join in the activities of the school community.

#### **Late Arrivals**

The whistle goes at 8.55 am so that children can start school promptly in class by 9.00 am. We would like to remind parents that any child arriving after 8.55am should come in through the school office to ensure that they are recorded on the register and that their lunch option is taken. Please can you help your child to arrive on time.

#### **Post box**

For your convenience we have a Post box in the main office Reception where you can post items that you would normally drop into us. Please ensure that you have written your child's name and class on the envelope before you post the item.

#### **Leading Parent Partnership Award**

As you know we are constantly trying to improve the provision at school. As a result of the feedback from parents, staff and governors we are undertaking a Leading Parent Partnership Award this year and we have been reviewing our previous programme for parental engagement and trying to improve it.

One suggestion was a session at the beginning of the year to help parents get to know their child's teacher and for staff to be able to explain the curriculum and routines.

We are therefore introducing a 'Meet The Teacher' session next week on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

Years 1 and 2 2:45-3:15

Years 3 and 4 3:45-4:15

Years 5 and 6 4:30-5:00

A crèche will be available.

If you have a child in both year groups in one time slot we will try to arrange for you to talk to the teacher afterwards.

#### **Milk**

Milk will available at break-time from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September. A letter will be coming home next week.

#### **Tuck Shop**

A variety of fruit is available from Tuck shop at morning break from today. A portion of fruit is 20p.

#### **Medicine Administered during the School Day**

If you wish for your child to have medicine in school, including inhalers, would you please complete a Medical Form which can be downloaded from the Information Section of the website, or a copy can be obtained from the school office. We are unable to administer any medication that is not prescribed by a doctor. If your child requires medication such as antibiotics, you will need to bring this in to the school office each morning and collect it from the office at the end of the day. It is helpful if you can also provide a medicine spoon. A reminder to those parents of children who took their inhalers/other regular medication home at the end of the summer term – you will need to complete a new form for this year and bring the medicine(s) in to the school office.

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**Online Payments:** <https://login.schoolgateway.com>

### Free School Meals in Key Stage 2

A reminder to Year 3 (KS2) parents that their children no longer receive free dinners. If you think your child may be entitled to income-based free school meals in Key Stage 2, please complete an online application on the new Citizen Portal at

[https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal\\_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal\\_live](https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live)

If you need further information please ask at the school office. You can pay for school meals by coming to the office with either cash or cheques or you can pay online via the SchoolComms.

### Support Group for Parents/Carers with Children with Additional Needs

Our Family Support Advisor, Clara Rose, is starting a new monthly Support Group for families with a child with additional needs (diagnosed or un-diagnosed). The first session is on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September from 10.00-12.00 at Willand Youth Club. Everyone welcome. Please contact Clara Rose for more information via school, on 07752 396527 or [crose@willand.devon.sch.uk](mailto:crose@willand.devon.sch.uk).

### Swimming Volunteers and Spare Costumes

We are very proud of the fact that we take the children swimming but we rely on the support of parent volunteers to help us with this. We desperately need more volunteers to help with swimming sessions, which are on Wednesdays and Fridays. If you are able to either help regularly or just occasionally, please contact the office and let us know. We are also short of spare swimming costumes and would be grateful to receive any old ones that your child may have outgrown. Thank you.

### Return of Forms to School

We appreciate that several forms are sent home for completion at the beginning of the new school year and are very grateful for your prompt return of these – it makes a big reduction in administration time.

### Morning Line-up Spots for all classes in September

These are the coloured spots on the KS2 playground for children to line up on when they return to school in September:

#### Spots Nearest Key Stage 1 Door

Green – Class 3P                      Yellow – Class 3WR  
Red – Class 4C                        Blue – Class 4MW

#### Middle Group of Spots

Green – Class 1J                      Yellow – Class 1HR  
Red – Class 2L                        Blue – Class 2W

#### Spots Nearest Upper Key Stage 2 Door

Green – Class 5C                      Yellow – Class 5R  
Red – Class 6N                        Blue – Class 6S

### Events

Please see the noticeboard in the KS2 playground for the following events

**Willand Tennis Club** – Various clubs for adults and children. Please visit [www.willandtennisclub.co.uk](http://www.willandtennisclub.co.uk)

**Culm Cats** – Culm Sampford have formed an under 12's girls football team. For more information please call Abbie on 07581779198.

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.

### Lunch Menu for week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
West Country Beef Burger	Chicken Curry	West Country Roast Beef	Pork Meatballs	Oven Baked Battered Fish
Vegetarian Burger	Macaroni Cheese	Quorn Sausage	Quorn Meatballs	Vegetarian Bites
Seeded Bap Potato Wedges or Pasta Baked Beans or Peas Tomato Sauce	Rice or Naan Bread Mixed Vegetables	Roast or Mashed Potatoes Fresh Carrots Green Beans Yorkshire Pudding Gravy	Spaghetti Sweetcorn	Golden fries or Pasta Seasonal Vegetables Tomato sauce
Arctic Roll	Mandarins and Ice Cream	Fruit Smoothie or Cheese and Crackers and a Slice of Apple	Syrup Jam Sponge Custard	Oat Cookie Fruit Juice

**Baked potatoes** with cheese, beans, cheese and beans or tuna. **Pasta Pots** with Italian tomato sauce, chicken and sweetcorn, cheese or tuna. Fresh fruit salad and yoghurts are available daily

# Diary

AUTUMN TERM 2018	
6 September 2018	Start of Autumn Term
19 October 2018	Non Pupil Day
22 - 26 October 2018	Half Term
21 December 2018	End of Autumn Term
SPRING TERM 2019	
7 January 2019	Start of Spring Term
15 February 2019	Non Pupil Day
18 - 22 February 2019	Half Term
5 April 2019	End of Spring Term
SUMMER TERM 2019	
23 April 2019	Start of Summer Term
6 May 2019	Bank Holiday
24 May 2019	Non-pupil day
27 – 31 May 2019	Half Term
24 July 2019	End of Summer Term

*Best wishes*

*Anne Hawkins*

*Headteacher*

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