

Congratulations to this weeks winner –



Cornwall with 194 points

Running total for the term:

Devon 825	Dorset 746	Somerset 906	Cornwall 925
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Keep up the great work everyone!

Staffing Update

Welcome to Miss Phillips who will be teaching class 2T until the end of the summer term. Miss Phillips has joined us after recently returning from teaching in Australia.

World Book Day Story Box Competition

A massive thank you to those parents who came in last week to see all the wonderful stories in a box.

Competition Winners:



Well done to everyone who entered our World Book Day Competition. We were blown

away by your creations and judging them was so difficult. The winners were Max in Reception, Frank in KS1, Sasha in LKS2 and Sully in UKS2.



Each winner will be getting a book of their choice as their prize.

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, 13th March 2026.

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	93.28	3	91.15
1	92.50	4	89.02
2	86.26	5	93.71
		6	96.35

The Current National figure for comparison is 94.82%

Comic Relief

The School Council have plans to celebrate this year's Comic Relief Day by fundraising in the following ways:

- **'Joke Off' Competition from Mon 16th – Fri 20th March** - For 20p per joke, children will have the opportunity to share a joke with their class. The winner of each class will meet for the final 'Joke Off' at the Willand Wonder assembly to vote for the best joker!
- **Crazy Hair Day/Non-uniform Day on Friday, 20th March** - For a donation, children are asked to come to school with crazy hair. Children can also wear non-uniform.

For children in CLASS 3P only: Due to the class swimming on Friday afternoon, please remember not to use hair colour and check that hair accessories are easily/independently removed when changing for swimming.

Dartmoor Residential Trip Instalment Payment

Just a reminder that the final instalment for the Year 6 Dartmoor residential trip was due on Thursday, 26th March.

School Lunch Payments

We would appreciate parents clearing all school lunch balances. Can we also remind you; meals should be paid for in advance. Many thanks.

Thank you for your continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher

Online Safety – 'Wake Up Wednesday'



This week's theme is ...

'Social Media Ban for Under 16's Consultation'

There has been a lot in the news recently about a possible social media ban for under 16s. The government have opened a consultation on the subject and you can have your say by following the link below.

There is a lot of information and a video; scroll to the end for the links to the surveys. There is one for parents and one for children over 10 (so your Year 5 or Year 6 child can have their say too). There's also one for anyone who isn't a parent of children under 21 (grandparents or wider family members, for example). <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/growing-up-in-the-online-world-a-national-consultation>

In the meantime, the NSPCC have some great advice about keeping your children safe if you are choosing to allow them to use social media: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/>

As always, if you have any questions or want to talk something through, don't hesitate to get in touch.

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

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.

PTFA NEWS

🕒 Only 1 week left to purchase **Easter Disco Tickets** 🕒

Please use this link to purchase your tickets: <https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/Q119RUM7>,
ticket sales will close at 9pm on 25th March!

You can also make payments by cash in the school office.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - You will need to add the following information when using the payment link to purchase your ticket:

- Email Address
- Emergency Contact Number
- Child's Name
- Child's Class

Without this information we may not be able to process your request.

Please note to be more environmentally friendly a physical ticket will not be issued, you will receive email confirmation of your purchase. On the night a register of all tickets purchased will be checked upon entry, therefore we regret to inform you that this event is advanced purchase only.

We will release the list of items for sale in the tuck shop alongside important information about the

WILLAND SCHOOL PTFA
EASTER DISCO!
Friday 27th March
Hop on down for an egg-cellent evening!
Reception / KS1: 4:30pm - 5:30pm
Lower KS2: 5:45pm - 6:45pm
Upper KS2: 6:15pm - 7:15pm
Tickets available now! £4
- Includes unlimited squash

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disco in next week's Willand Word.

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 23rd March

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

Kids Holiday Heroes

Wrap around care at Willand School

We are thrilled to welcome back Fun Science, the RSPCA, and Tiverton Museum. We would also like to welcome Animals Southwest for the first time, giving children the chance to hold, touch, and learn about reptiles, bugs, and furry animals.

Dates: Tuesday 7th to Friday 17th April

Willand School 8:30 - 16:00 cost £30

We accept childcare vouchers, UC and the tax-free childcare scheme.

Please book via our website -

www.kidsholidayheroes.co.uk

WEEK 2: This year we are running a HAF camp during our second week from Monday 13th to Thursday 16th. This runs alongside our usual holiday camp. Please email us for booking link - bookings@kidsholidayheroes.co.uk.

Diary To remember...

Fri 20 th March	Comic Relief Day – Non-uniform and Crazy Hair Day!
Fri 27 th March	Class 4MC Assembly (Easter)
Fri 27 th March	PTFA School Disco
Thurs 2 nd April	Non-pupil Day
Friday 3 rd April	Start of Easter Holiday
Monday 20 th April	Start of Summer Term
Tues 7 th July	UKS2 Play – Dress rehearsal(pm)
Wed 8 th July	UKS2 Play – Performance 1(pm)
Thurs 9 th July	UKS2 Play – Performance 2(pm) UKS2 Play – Performance 3 (eve)

EASTER TIMETABLE
8.30am – 4.00pm every day

EASTER 2026 WEEK 1

MONDAY 13 th	TUESDAY 14 th	WEDNESDAY 15 th	THURSDAY 16 th	FRIDAY 17 th
Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Fun Science Workshop Benchball Lunch Football or Arts & Crafts Axe throwing and Archery or Arts & Crafts Home time 4.00pm	Monday's special guest Fun Science workshop led by Ed Fun Science Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Tennis Basketball Lunch Model plane building using craft kits or Arts & Crafts LEGO MANIA (Building competition) or Arts & Crafts Home time 4.00pm	Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Cricket Arts & Crafts Lunch Den Building and knot tying workshop Tiverton Museum Workshop Home time 4.00pm	Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Yoga Parachute Games Lunch Natural Boat building or Arts & Crafts Orienteering and Scavenger Hunt Home time 4.00pm	Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Archery and Axe throwing Benchball Lunch Dodgeball K&H Bingo and Quiz with prizes! Home time 4.00pm

What we offer:
 - Ofsted registered
 - DBS registered staff
 - Fully trained first aiders
 - Safeguarding certificates

Tax free childcare:
 Check if you are eligible for universal credit and tax credits which can contribute significantly to the cost of your childcare with us.

Next attachment!
 Animals Southwest: Children will learn, touch and hold 3 different types of species.

Animals 2026

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8.30am – 4.00pm every day

EASTER 2026 WEEK 2

TUESDAY 7 th	WEDNESDAY 8 th	THURSDAY 9 th	FRIDAY 10 th
Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Football Dodgeball Lunch RSPCA Workshop LEGO MANIA (Building competition) or Arts & Crafts Home time 4.00pm	Tuesday's special guest RSPCA Workshop to educate children on animal welfare RSPCA Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Cricket Basketball Lunch Tiverton Museum Workshop Home time 4.00pm	Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Tennis Bench ball Lunch Knot Tying & Den Building Workshop Board & Card Games or Arts & Crafts (Top Trumps, Uno, cat, dog, Uno and more) Home time 4.00pm	Welcome and Breakfast Club (Fruit, toast or cereal) Warm up games Break Football Bench ball/dodgeball Lunch Outdoor Art: (creating crazy creatures) Animal Southwest Workshop (Hug & learn about reptiles, bugs and furry animals) Home time 4.00pm

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KIDS HOLIDAY HEROES
Run by teachers

HAF AT EASTER

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

13th - 16th April
9:00am - 1:00pm

This is a new addition to our usual camp that runs 8:30am - 4:00pm.

At Willand School
 Gables Road, Willand, Cullompton EX15 2QL

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE
 Archery, axe throwing, den building, pool and darts, sports, arts and crafts, and much more.

Our HAF camp includes a free breakfast and cooked lunch.

The best way to book is online. Book in advance as places are limited.

www.kidsholidayheroes.co.uk

Contact us by email to check eligibility and to find out more: bookings@kidsholidayheroes.co.uk

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EVENTS

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



Family Cinema Day at The Beehive
Peter Rabbit Double Feature

THURSDAY 18TH APRIL

10.30am **PETER RABBIT** (PG)
12.30pm **FREE CRAFT WORKSHOP**
2pm **PETER RABBIT 2** (PG)

TICKETS:
£5 Adult
£4 U 16
BOOK BOTH FILMS
£7 Adult
£6 U 16

the beehive
beehivehoniton.co.uk
Box Office: 01404 384050
Dowell Street, Honiton, EX14 1LZ



Flower Workshops
with Sally
from Wood Lane Flowers

Saturday 4th April
The Beehive, Honiton
Dowell Street, Honiton, EX14 1LZ

Easter Bloom-in-a-Tin Workshop
11am-11.30
Suitable for ages 6 & above
£9 per person (all materials included)
Limited to 12 spaces per workshop

Petal Wreath Workshop
12pm-12.30
Suitable for age 6+
£5 per ticket
Limited to 12 spaces per workshop

Add a burst of spring creativity to your Easter celebrations with this hands-on, family-friendly workshop! Join us for a relaxed and crafty session where you'll plant a seasonal bulb in a tin and decorate it using beautiful fabrics to create a unique, handmade spring keepsake.

Bring a burst of natural beauty into your day with our hands-on Petal Wreath Workshop! In this creative, family-friendly session, you'll decorate a cardboard wreath with fresh flower petals, creating a colourful and unique spring-inspired piece to take home.

Book online: beehivehoniton.co.uk or Call 01404 384050

the beehive

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.



EASTER FAMILY FUN
at The Beehive, Honiton
SATURDAY 4TH APRIL 10am-3pm
FUN FOR ALL AGES

Flower Workshops with Sally from Wood Lane Flowers
Table Top Sale, Raffle, Tombola, Facepainting
Call the Box Office on 01404 384050 to book flower workshops/table top

WHAT'S ON

'Wonderland' by Theatrix Arts
55-minute show + FREE workshop
Tuesday 7th April 2pm Includes £2 Booking Fee
Tickets: Adult £13. Under 12's £12. Family of 4 £35.
Join the Hatter for a whimsical adventure with puppets, music, hats, and a fun puppet-making finale!

The Neverending Story
Thursday 9th April 11am Includes £3 Booking Fee
Tickets: Adult £6. Under 16's £5. Family of Four £20.
While hiding from bullies in his school's attic, a young boy discovers the extraordinary land of Fantasia, through a magical book called The Neverending Story.

The Ultimate Bubble Show
Saturday 11th April 11am Includes £2 Booking Fee
Tickets: Adult £14. Under 12's £10 Family of 4 £42
Experience the best in soap bubble entertainment.

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