



Over the Easter break the building team have been working hard on the classroom, this is really starting to take form and we are half way through the project and aiming for completion at the start of July.



The scores for the last week before the Easter break are:

Devon 118	Dorset 146	Somerset 199	Cornwall 200
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The final scores for Spring term 2:

Devon 1361	Dorset 1327	Somerset 1610	Cornwall 1712
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Well done everyone!

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 Wednesday, 1st April 2026.

Year Group	%Attendance	Year Group	%Attendance
Reception	93.97	3	95.51
1	94.35	4	91.53
2	93.44	5	93.17
		6	90.74

The Current National figure for comparison is 94.88%

Class Assembly

Class 4H are holding their class assembly on **Friday, 1st May** 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.

Good Luck to Mr Silk as he runs the London Marathon this weekend

This Sunday, Mr Silk will be running the 2026 London Marathon for JENGA (a charity supporting the development of communities in Eastern Uganda).



<https://2026tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/stuart-silk>

He's hoping to run it in a time as close to 3 hours 30 minutes as possible. If you see him looking rather fatigued when he is back in school on the Tuesday, you now know why!

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (PSC)

A letter has been emailed this week to all Year 1 parents/carers about the statutory Year 1 phonics screening check. The check will be taking place during the week commencing 8th June. Please read the letter for further details. You can also click the following link to find out more

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/UBJfEBKA/rKU26DCU>

Year 6 Royal Society of Science Pupils Book Prize

We took part in the Royal Society's Young Peoples book prize

6 People from Year 6 took part in the Royal Society Young People book prize. They read and reviewed 6 books: *Green*, *The Animal Body Book*, *Patience*, *The History of Information*, *The Rocks Book* and *The Wild Life of Dinosaurs*. On Monday the 20th of April the results were announced: *The Wild Life of Dinosaurs* book won and the author, Mike Barfield, took home the glass trophy.

All of the pupils that took part had the opportunity to submit questions to the authors as part of the judging presentation, we were really proud that two of our pupils had their questions used as part of this process.

Toys and Keyrings from Home

Staff have noticed that some children are bringing toys and keyrings from home into school each day. Please could we ask that toys are not brought into school as we would like to avoid the children being upset, should the item become broken or lost.



*Thank you for your
continued support
Naomi Tottle
Headteacher*

Online Safety –

'Wake Up Wednesday'



You are familiar with the Wake Up Wednesday guides that we often share and hope that you find them useful.

The National College, who provide these guides, also have completely FREE short online courses for parents in keeping your children safe online.

There is one for parents of children aged 3-7 and one for parents aged 7-11. They are FREE, full of helpful advice, and take only around 40 minutes each to complete.

<https://nationalcollege.com/courses/os-for-parents-carers-of-children-aged-7-11>

<https://nationalcollege.com/courses/os-for-parents-carers-of-children-aged-3-7>

We would love to hear whether these courses are useful and also if you have any particular areas of online safety you are seeking support with.

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

SEND Information –

Please see below information from Devon Educational Psychology Service.



Devon Educational Psychology Service

Helping Your Child with Fears and Worries – Information for Parent Carers

The Devon Educational Psychology Service (EPS) is running group sessions which aim to reduce worrying in children and young people. The sessions can help parent carers develop skills that can be helpful in managing worries and supporting school attendance.

Programme Details

- **Duration:** Six sessions, each 90 minutes long
- **Schedule:** Delivered over seven weeks (six sessions with a one-week break)
- **Participants:** Parent carers (children do not attend).
- **Where:** Online via Microsoft Teams.
- **When:** Sessions will be held within typical school hours. We will contact parent carers with dates and times if we are able to offer you a place.
- **Start dates:** We are running groups starting in June.

Who Can Join?

We are offering sessions to parent carers of children who are concerned about their child's attendance and anxiety around school. The programme is designed for parent carers of children between 5-12 years of age, but it can be adapted for older children. The programme can be adapted for parent carers of children with SEND. We will work with you to help you get the most out of the sessions.

Spaces on the programme are limited, and we may not be able to offer everyone a place. We will be happy to talk this through with you via the contact details below.

How to Join?

To request a place, parents need to complete an online form which can be found here: <https://forms.office.com/e/w13eSAq9a9>

For more details or questions, contact the educational psychology service using this email address: educate.assistanteducationalpsychologist-mailbox@devon.gov.uk

We are accepting requests until 8th May 2026.

Helping Your Child with Fears and Worries



Diary to remember...

Fri 1 st May	Class 4H Assembly
Mon 4 th May	May Bank Holiday
Mon 11 th – Thurs 14 th May	Year 6 KS2 SATS
Fri 15 th May	Class RMB Assembly
Mon 25 th – Fri 30 th May	Half Term
W/C Monday 1 st June	Multiplication Check
Friday 5 th June	Class RT Assembly
W/C Monday 8 th June	Phonics Check
Wednesday 10 th June	Willand Welcome
Friday 12 th June	Class 1G Assembly
Friday 19 th June	Class 1HP - Assembly
Tuesday 23 rd June	Sports Day
Thursday 25 th June	Class & Sports Photographs
Friday 26 th June	Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 6 Transition Days for CCC & Uffculme School
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)
Friday 10 th July	Pupil reports out
Monday 13 th July	Teachers available for parents
Monday 20 th July	Leavers Party
Tuesday 21 st July	Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 22 nd 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

Willand School Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday, 27th April

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 ustad 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				

EVENTS

Cullompton Cricket Club
Ladies & Girls Cricket

Hardball training: Thursdays from 18:00
Softball training: Fridays 18:30-20:00

Landspeed Meadow, EX15 1DW

Contact Hayley Hawkins for more info: 07800 504 771

All Abilities Welcome!

Kids Holiday Heroes

Wrap around care at Willand School

We are open from 8-9am and from 3.30-6.00pm Mon-Thurs and 3.30-5.30pm Friday. The service will be available for all children from Year 2 to Year 6.

The cost of wrap around care will be £5.80 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 the after-school club.

After-school Clubs

Children are welcome to join the club between 3:30pm - 4:30pm, or they can continue with the usual wraparound provision from 3:30pm – 600pm.

Timetable - 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Monday: Card game Club (UNO, Taco-goat-cheese-pizza, Top trumps and more!

Tuesday: Lego Club

Wednesday: Mrs Shearer's Art & Craft Club

Thursday: Mrs Costello's Puzzle Club!

Friday: Indoor Game Zone (pool, football table, ice hockey table and darts)

We would love to receive feedback from you on our Facebook reviews or google reviews.

We would be really grateful if you get the time to leave us a review.

For Bookings or any further questions, please email bookings@kidsholidayheroes.co.uk

ALL STARS CRICKET
Ages 5-8

DYNAMOS CRICKET
Ages 8-11

Programmes run from Friday 15th May, 17:15-18:15
Contact Hayley Hawkins on 07800 504771

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

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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