

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week we've had!

We kicked off by celebrating Sports Week, which included our annual Summer Sports Day on Wednesday. The children did incredibly well in all their planned events, showing great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. It was also fantastic to see such a strong turnout of family support across both key stage groups—thank you for joining us!

In addition to Sports Day, Year 4 took part in an Africa drumming workshop and Walkability, a fantastic programme designed to teach children how to stay safe while out and about in the community. To round it all off, the whole school came together to celebrate World Music Day during our morning and afternoon music concerts.

## **Sports Day 2025**

Thank you for an incredible turnout for Sports Day! A big shout-out to our Year 6 students and Miss Stanbury for helping everything run so efficiently and smoothly.

Also, thank you to Mrs. Cook for providing some great refreshments to keep everyone cool in the warm weather.

And now, without further ado, please see this year's Sports Day results:

1st place: Chestnut – 2458 2nd place: Cherry – 2448 3rd place: Maple – 2384 4th place: Oak – 2210

## **African Drumming**

On Tuesday, Year 4 had an amazing time at an African drumming workshop to start their new Geography unit on Kenya. It was a wonderful day of exploring African instruments and sound, immersing ourselves in a different culture through music!





#### 'Willowbrook Observer' Call for creative submissions

We're looking for poetry, short stories, book or film reviews, artwork, and creative writing pieces to feature in the next edition of the Willowbrook Observer — our very own school newspaper!

All children are welcome to submit their work — whether they'd like to contribute from home or join our School Newspaper Club.

The club meets every Tuesday after school, and we welcome anyone who may want to join.

#### The Exeter Chiefs Foundation Community Event

The Exeter Chiefs Foundation have chosen our school to run a special community-based event on Thursday 10th July, 3.30-5pm.

A team will be coming in to offer a free meal for all pupils and their families (parents/siblings) cooked by Miachel Caines MBE, the well-known chef. There will also be a bouncy castle and activities for the children to take part in - all free of charge!



There will be a wristband system, where everyone will be given the number of wristbands they require in the week before the event and will need to wear their bands to then receive their meal. Please see the e-mail sent earlier in the week.

#### **Lunchtime/EYFS Development Plans**

At Willowbrook, we are lucky to have such vast outside spaces. We are in the process of developing these spaces to provide our children with increased opportunities and choices when outside. The aim of this is to enhance opportunities for physical activity, socialisation, imagination and enjoyment through improved play.

To improve lunch times, we are creating different zones on our playgrounds each of which will provide different activities to cater for the needs of all our children. For example:

- · A climbing zone
- · A multi-skills zone
- · A building zone
- · A performance zone
- · An obstacle course zone
- · A reading zone (with a community book library)
- · A mud kitchen and digging zone

Over the next months, we will be developing each of these zones and forming any new zones in response to any feedback from you and the children. To allow us to develop these

and create a year-round improved playground, we would like to kindly ask you for donations of any of the following items:

Pallets	Kitchen utensils	Slide		
Mud kitchens	Plastic crates	Cable drums		
Tents	Sports equipment	Ropes		
Trowels	Instruments	Logs		
Buckets and spades	Wellies	Wooden planks		
Dressing up clothes	Ride on vehicles	Pots and pans		

## EY & year 1 provision

As we continue to develop and enhance our Early Years and Year 1 learning spaces, we're on the lookout for a few items to support imaginative play, exploration, and hands-on learning. If you happen to be having a clear out at home and have any of the following items you no longer need, we would be so grateful for your donations:

- · Fancy dress items
- · Small wooden tables or chairs
- · Toy food and kitchen items
- · Scooters or balance bikes
- · Small world toys (e.g., figures, buildings, vehicles)
- · Toy animals (farm, wild, sea, etc.)

- · Measuring jugs, weighing scales (kitchen style)
- · Wooden cable reels
- · Kallax units (or similar storage furniture)

All items will be put to great use in creating exciting, engaging areas for our youngest learners. Please drop any donations at the school office or speak to Mrs Elworthy/ Miss Pilkington if you have something larger to donate.

## Days children need to come in P.E. kit:

Reception – Wednesday (outdoor learning) & Friday (PE)

Year 1 – Monday & Wednesday

Year 2 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 3 – Monday & Thursdays (outdoor learning)

4R – Thursday & Friday

4E – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 5 – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 6 – Monday (Swimming) & Friday

# Dates for your diary for the summer term:

Saturday 21st June - Summer Fete 12pm - 3pm

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Bikeability

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Cricket Trip

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Summer Rocksteady Concert 10am

Monday 7th – Wednesday 9th July – Year 6 residential to London



Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Year 2 trip to Rosemoor Gardens

Wednesday 16th July – Year 6 end of year production at St James 2PM

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Paddleboat theatre production for years 1,2 Nursery and Reception

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3 Paddleboat theatre workshop

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 1 Lyme Regis beach trip

Monday 21st July – Beatboxing performance and workshop

Mondy 21<sup>st</sup> July – Y4 Camp out

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Colour Run for all Year groups



# Top Readers this week are:

3F	Delilah B
3H	Ruby W
4E	Anya M
4R	Manuel A
5P	America G
5T	Olivia B
6BGR	Imogen H
6W	Samira H

Top class of readers this week is 5T with 426,853 words Second best class of readers is 6BGR with 399,187 words.

Keep up the good work, everyone!

## Friends Of Willowbrook

# Summer fete time is nearly here!

The weather is looking good, so pop down to see us, we have a bouncy castle, circus skills, train rides, a chance to try out aerial hoop, bar, BBQ, raffle, and fete games including hook a duck, football shoot out and soak the teacher.

The bar, BBQ and raffle take card, but stalls are cash only

Fete will be 12-3 and the raffle will be drawn at 2.45.



See you there!

# Week 1 School meals menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL	MAIN MEAL
Peas	British Chicken Korma with Rice and Naan Bread	Potatoes, Seasonal	British Chicken Pasta Bake with Focaccia Bread and Carrot	Breaded Fish with Chips and Beans
VEGETARIAN	VEGETARIAN	VEGETARIAN	VEGETARIAN	VEGETARIAN
MEAL	MEAL	MEAL	MEAL	MEAL
Salmon Fingers with Wedges and Peas	Vegetable Bolognese with Pasta and Sweetcorn	Vegetarian Toad in the Hole with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy	5 Bean Chilli with Rice, Nacho's and Carrots	Homity Pie with Chips and Beans
JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO	JACKET POTATO
Beans or Tuna	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese and Beans or Tuna Mayo
DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT	DESSERT
Raspberry Ripple Shortbread	Chocolate Brownie	Fruit Iced Lolly	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Custard cookies