Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, thank you for your patience with us today. Due to the Microsoft outage, we have been unable to access our school emails. Please rest assured that if you have sent us an email, we will respond as soon as everything is back up and running. Thank you for your understanding.

It has been another lovely week here at Willowbrook. We held a special Remembrance assembly where the children came together to reflect and remember. Everyone showed great respect and took part in the two-minute silence, which was a lovely and thoughtful moment for us all.

We have also made a few updates to our 'Dates for your Diary', so please take a moment to have a look. There have been some changes to both dates and times, and we want to make sure you have all the correct information.

After School Club Number – 07980727654

If your child is after school club and you need to contact them, please call the After School Club number provided above.

Children in need Friday 20th November

We would like to let families know that **our school fundraising activity will take place on Friday 20th November (next week!)**.

On the day, every child will receive a **Children in Need biscuit**, and we kindly ask for a donation towards this fantastic cause. Donations can be brought into school on the morning of Friday 20th November. 'Pudsey Bear' will be on the playground before school to collect donations, kindly organised by the PTFA on our behalf.

Parent Survey

A huge thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our trust parent feedback survey. Your feedback is incredibly important to us and plays a valuable part in helping us reflect, grow and continually improve our practice here at Willowbrook.

We really appreciate you sharing your thoughts and views with us. We will be sharing updates on our findings, along with the actions and improvements we plan to make next week.

Anti Bullying Week – starting Monday 16th November

Next week, we will be recognising Anti-Bullying Week in school. This year's theme is an opportunity for us to come together to promote kindness, respect, inclusion and standing up for one another.

Throughout the week, children will take part in age-appropriate discussions and activities to help them understand what bullying is, how our words and actions can affect others, and the importance of treating everyone with kindness and respect.

As part of our PSHE curriculum, we follow the One Decision scheme and will be using some of its resources to support our learning. These will help children to explore friendships, recognise unkind behaviour, understand how to respond if they or someone else is being bullied, and identify trusted adults they can talk to if they need support.

We encourage parents and carers to continue these conversations at home. You could ask your child:

- What does being a good friend mean to you?
- How can you show kindness to others?
- What is the difference between falling out with someone and bullying?
- What would you do if you saw someone being left out or treated unkindly?
- Who could you talk to if something was worrying you?

Remember: small acts of kindness can make a big difference. By working together, we can help make sure that every child feels safe, valued and included in our school community.

Parent Support Corner

This week's featured parent guide: School Transitions



Read the full guide: Let's Talk About... School Transitions - A Guide for Parents & Carers

Dates for your diary

Please note there have been some date changes and updates: Rocksteady will now be taking place on 9th December at 9:30am

Date	Year group	Activity
Wednesday 18th November	Years Rec – Year 6	Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 8th December	Nursery	Carols
Wednesday 9th December	EYFS and KS1	Xmas Lunch
Wednesday 9th December	Rocksteady children	Rock steady parents invited 09:30-10:30
Thursday 10th December	KS2	Xmas Lunch
Thursday 10th December	Y2	Trip to Rosemoor
Thursday 10th December	Y1	Church Trip
Friday 11th December	All Years	Santa Run and Xmas fayre
Friday 11th December	All Years	Christmas Fete 15:00 – 16:30pm
Tuesday 15th December	Choir	Christmas Cracker Choir event
Tuesday 15th December	Reception	Reception nativity - parents invited 2:15pm – 3pm
Wednesday 16th December	Reception	Reception nativity - parents invited 2:15 – 3pm
Wednesday 16th December	Year 6	Tiverton Museum Trip
Thursday 17th December	KS2	Carol concert – Parents invited 2:30 – 3:30pm
Friday 18th December	All Years	Christmas Jumper day
Friday 29th January	Choir	Young voices trip to Birmingham
Friday 12th February	Years 1- 6	Intra-sport competition
Wednesday 8th March	Choir	Community singing event at Exeter School
Friday 12th March	All Years	Mother's Day Gifts and Cream Tea
Wednesday 17th March	Year 4	Escot trip
Friday 19th March	All Years	Red Nose Day – Non uniform day
Friday 18th June	All Years	Father's Day Gifts
Friday 2nd July	All Years	Summer Fete 15:00pm - 17:00pm

PE Days

Monday - Hazel (y1), Beech (Y1), River (Y6) and Brook (Y6), Birch (Y2), Rowan (Y2)

Tuesday - River (Y6) and Brook (Y6), Vale (Y5), Glade (Y5), Cedar (Y3) and Ash (Y3)

Wednesday- Birch (Y2), Rowan (Y2), Hazel (y1) and Beech (Y1), Elm (Y4), Sycamore (Y4)

Thursday- Cedar (Y3), Ash (Y3), Elm (Y4), Sycamore (Y4), Vale (Y5) and Glade (Y5)

Friday - Acon and Seedling (REC)

2026-2027 Term Dates

Autumn Term	Monday 7th September 2026
Half Term	Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2026
Ends	Friday 18th December 2026
Christmas Holiday	Monday 21st December 2026 to Monday 4th January 2027
Spring Term	Tuesday 5th January 2027
Half Term	Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2027
Ends	Thursday 25th March 2027
Easter Holiday	Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April 2027
Summer Term	Monday 12th April 2027
Early May Bank Holiday	Monday 3rd May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 29th May 2027
Half Term	Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027
Ends	Thursday 22nd July 2027

Non-Pupil and Occasional days

NPD 1	Thursday 3rd September 2026
NPD 2	Friday 4th September 2026
NPD 3	Friday 23rd October 2026
NPD 4	Monday 4th January 2027
NPD 5	Friday 23rd July 2027
OCCD1	Monday 26th July 2027
OCCD2	Tuesday 27th July 2027



Lunch Menu Week Beginning 16/11/26

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
MAIN MEAL	**MAIN MEAL**	**MAIN MEAL**	**MAIN MEAL**	**MAIN MEAL**
Tomato and Cheese Pasta Bake	Chicken & Ham Tagliatelle & Garlic Bread	Toad in the Hole	Butchers Pork Meatballs in Tom. Sauce served in a Finger Roll	Breaded Fish Fingers
VEGETARIAN MEAL	**VEGETARIAN MEAL**	**VEGETARIAN MEAL**	**VEGETARIAN MEAL**	**VEGETARIAN MEAL**
Quorn Bolognaise	Cheese Pizza Baguette & Potato Wedges	Veggie Toad in the Hole	Cheese Wheel	Veggie Nuggets
JACKET POTATO	**JACKET POTATO**	**JACKET POTATO**	**JACKET POTATO**	**JACKET POTATO**
Served with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Served with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Served with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Served with Tuna, Cheese or Beans	Served with Tuna, Cheese or Beans
OTHER	**OTHER**	**OTHER**	**OTHER**	**OTHER**
Egg Mayo Sandwich	Ham Sandwich	Tuna Mayo Bap	Sausage Roll	Cheese Sandwich
SIDES	**SIDES**	**SIDES**	**SIDES**	**SIDES**
Crusty Bread, Diced Carrots or Salad	Corn on the Cob or Salad	Roast or Mash Potato, Fresh Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Potato Wedges & Mixed Vegetables	Chips or Pasta, Sweetcorn or Salad & Tomato Ketchup
DESSERT	**DESSERT**	**DESSERT**	**DESSERT**	**DESSERT**
Fruit Iced Smoothie	Fresh Fruit Platter	Pineapple Cake	Cookie	Chocolate & Date Krispie Cake


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BEACON HEATH RESIDENTS
Community Meal
Beacon hEATh
Food Project
Thursday 22nd October, 19th November,
10th December & 21st January
Beacon Heath Church
Food served at 6.30pm
JOIN US FOR FREE HEALTHY VEGETARIAN
HOME COOKED FOOD
Door open at 5 for a cuppa, dinner served at 6.30pm
Lend a hand helping out if you come early
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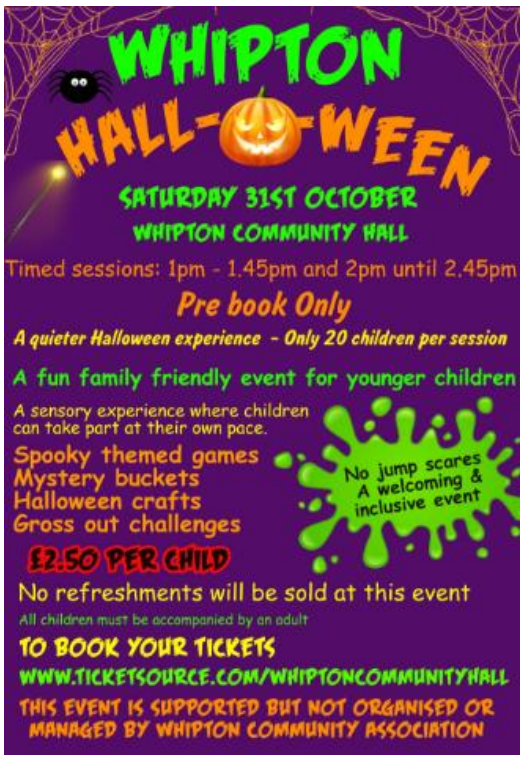
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HALL-O-WEEN
SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER
WHIPTON COMMUNITY HALL
Timed sessions: 1pm - 1.45pm and 2pm until 2.45pm
Pre book Only
A quieter Halloween experience - Only 20 children per session
A fun family friendly event for younger children
A sensory experience where children can take part at their own pace.
Spooky themed games
Mystery buckets
Halloween crafts
Gross out challenges
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