



Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back, everyone – we hope you’ve had a restful break and had an exciting first week of the summer term. In this week’s newsletter, we’ve included a thought-provoking article about online safety and Roblox that we encourage all parents to read. You’ll also find details about our upcoming Exe Factor competition, as well as information on our ongoing SATs revision sessions for pupils. In addition, we have included an important reminder about parking respectfully in the local area. Maintaining positive relationships with our neighbours is something we value highly as a school community. We’re looking forward to a fantastic term ahead.

Online Safety

The article below explores some emerging concerns around children’s online gaming and highlights why staying aware of what young players may encounter is still important. It offers perspectives from someone with firsthand experience on the platform, alongside Roblox’s own response. Parents may find it useful reading to better understand the ongoing conversation around online safety.

[Parents should monitor children 24/7 on Roblox, says developer - BBC News](#)

Local Parking

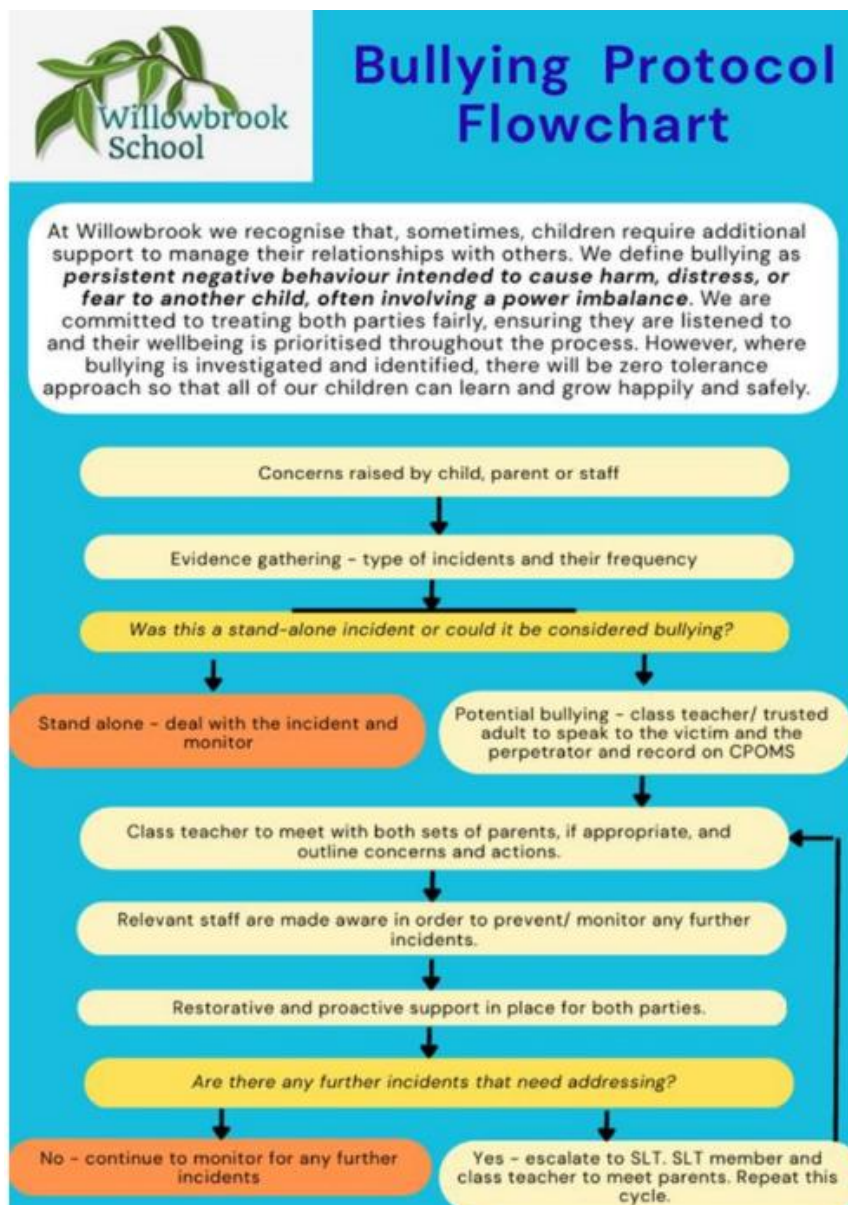
We kindly ask all families to continue being respectful of our neighbours when parking in the residential areas around the school. Please be mindful not to park in private, marked parking spaces and to always remain courteous, especially during busy drop-off and collection periods. We work hard to maintain a positive relationship with the families who live close by, and your support in parking safely and respectfully makes a real difference.

Exe Factor 2026

It is that time of year again - the Exe Factor competition for 2026 will soon be upon us! The event will be at 2pm on Friday 22nd May - the final Friday of the half term. The children are already talking about it and some have already submitted their auditions. If your child is talking about it and is unsure how to apply, they need to let their class teacher know their song choice so they can submit to me before Friday 1st May. Auditions will then happen on Wednesday 6th/Thursday 7th/ Friday 8th May. If your child is successful, you will then be informed via email and you will be invited to attend the event in person. Sadly, only parents of those taking part will be able to attend due to space in the school hall. Thank you for your support with this event - the children always love it and talk about it throughout the year!

Anti-bullying policy

Previously under Ventrus, we had an Anti-bullying policy as part of our behaviour policy. Now under Harbour, these are separate policies. All of these can be found on the website, but below is a visual flowchart which summarises our Anti-bullying policy for you.



SATs revision sessions

Optional Year 6 SATs Revision Sessions

During the three weeks leading up to SATs, our Year 6 teachers will be offering optional **SATs revision sessions** before school. These will be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:20am. Please see the exact dates below:

21st, 22nd and 23rd April
28th, 29th and 30th April
5th, 6th and 7th May

All Year 6 children are welcome and encouraged to attend, provided they are motivated and ready to engage with this additional revision.

Year 6 children attending these sessions will need to enter the school site through the front gates.



Y1-6 French club led by ABC French: (see contact information at the end of the information below)

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted that ABC French will be offering an after-school French club at Willowbrook School.

The classes will be given by Pascale Le Lan, a French native, with considerable experience teaching French as a foreign language and working with children. Pascale is passionate about France and French culture and the beneficial impact that language learning has on child development. ABC French classes draw on workbooks and audio materials from La Jolie Ronde, a leading specialist in teaching languages to primary school children with over 40 years' experience. La Jolie Ronde is recognised by the French government, and their award-winning programme offers children the opportunity to excel in language learning. Sessions are fun and interactive and use props, picture books, songs, flashcards, repetition, and real-life communication situations to help pupils gain confidence in French. We want to inspire the next generation of linguists, so classes also provide valuable preparation for future language learning.

The cost per lesson is £8.50. There is a one-off cost of £15 for the workbook and audio materials that accompany the course.

If you would like to enrol, or if you would like further information about the courses on offer, please contact me at abcfrench.devon@gmail.com or 07534 917081. Places are limited to 12 children per class on a first come, first served basis.

Best wishes,
Dr Sophie Leroy

School Communication

At Willowbrook, we always welcome communication from our families and value the opportunity to hear your concerns. We aim to respond as promptly as possible; however, as a large and busy school with many needs to attend to each day, we follow a 48-hour response policy. This ensures that staff have the necessary time to investigate matters thoroughly and provide clear, informed responses. We will always endeavour to respond as quickly as possible and will always prioritise dependent on the concern.

Please be aware that teachers are in class throughout the school day and are not able to answer phone calls or emails while teaching. We kindly ask that families contact the school office with any urgent queries, and our team will ensure messages are passed on appropriately.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support in helping our school run smoothly for all children.

Supporting your Child at school

We are proud to serve a diverse community, and a key part of that commitment is ensuring our school is as inclusive as possible. Willowbrook has a proportion of pupils with SEND that is significantly higher than average for a school of our size. As a result, much of our practice is designed to support cohorts with a wide range of needs – this is embedded in our everyday approach.

To help everyone understand how this works, and to clarify when it may be appropriate to raise concerns, we've included a helpful infographic below.

Willowbrook School

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT WILLOWBROOK

A guide for parents and carers on how we support children with additional needs

At Willowbrook, we are committed to ensuring that every child feels supported, included and able to thrive. Much of this support happens every day in classrooms through high-quality teaching and inclusive practice led by your child's class teacher.

1 Inclusive Practice in Classrooms

Many children are effectively supported by their class teacher through: clear and structured teaching, adaptations to tasks or resources, additional reassurance and check-ins, flexible approaches to learning. These strategies are part of our ordinarily available inclusive provision. At Willowbrook, over 10% of children have EHCPs and a further 20% are on our SEND register.

2 When to Contact the Class Teacher

If you have concerns about your child's learning or progress, how they are being supported in class, or minor emotional, attention or organisational needs, please contact your child's class teacher first. They know your child best, see them daily, and can usually respond quickly and effectively.

3 The Role of the SENDCo

The SENDCo supports pupils with identified special educational needs including SEND support plans or EHCPs, needs requiring specialist advice or assessment, and complex barriers to learning. Their time is focused on pupils with the highest level of need.

4 If Concerns Continue

If a concern persists after discussion with the class teacher, they will consult with phase leaders, senior leaders or the SENDCo as appropriate. This ensures concerns are considered carefully and in the correct order. If you have further concerns after consulting with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office.

Contact the school office for enquiries: willowbrook@thsp.org.uk

Friday Flyer

Friday Flyer celebrates children who have consistently been demonstrating our family values. This Week's Friday flyers are as follows

Class	
1P	Hugo P
1S	Lana D
2F	Leo W
2SB	Reggie B
3H	Enas A
3B	Albie F
4B	Tomas S
4R	Poppy C
5T	Esra S
5W	Mason T
6MT	Nevaeh C
6P	Aleeyah O

Resilience

Perseverance
Independence
Courage
Tenacity

Resilience means being strong and not giving up, even when things are tough. It's like a rubber ball that bounces back when you throw it down.

Lost Property

lost property is located on the back playground outside the staff room at the end of each school day. Please take a moment to check if your child is missing anything.

To help us return items quickly, please ensure that coats, jumpers, and PE kits are clearly labelled with your child's name. This makes a huge difference when belongings are misplaced.

PE Days

Monday – Year 1, Year 5 and Year 6

Tuesday – Year 3, Year 1 and Year 2

Wednesday- Year 2, Year 5 and Year 4

Thursday- Year 4, Year 6 and Year 3

Friday- Reception

School Term Dates

May Day Bank Holiday – Monday 4TH May

Half Term – Monday 25th – Friday 29th May

Non-Pupil Day – Monday 1st June

Last day of Term – Wednesday 22nd July

School is then closed for the summer holidays

Dates for your diary for the Spring term:

International Dance Day – Friday 1st May

May Day Bank Holiday – Monday 4TH May

Y5 trip to St Nicholas Priory – Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th May

Year 6 SATS Week – Monday 11th – Thursday 14th May

Y6 Beach trip – Friday 15th May

Civic Award Fair – Monday 18th May

Half Term – Monday 25th – Friday 29th May

Non-Pupil Day – Monday 1st June

Y5 Dartmoor Trip – Wednesday 10th June

Y2 Oral Hygiene workshop – Thursday 11th June

Year 6 Residential – Monday 15th – Wednesday 17th June

Sports day – Wednesday 24th June

Year 2 Play – Wednesday 8th July

Year 6 high school transitions – Wednesday 8th – Friday 10th July

Year 2 Trip to RHS Rosemoor – Tuesday 14th July

Year 4 Trip to Escot – Wednesday 15th July

Last day of Term – Wednesday 22nd July



Week commencing 27th April:

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

Come to our

Fair

hook a duck

cakes

competitions

hair braiding

guess the name of the teddy bear

bracelets

origami

pushes

Monday 18th

make your own bracelets

May

selling

raffle

+ more

Straight after School

back playground

By Harris

By Jones





WHIPTON YOUTH FC

NEW TEAMS FORMING
PLAYERS OF ALL ABILITIES WELCOME - GIRLS

U9S
LIONESSES
GIRLS
CURRENT YEAR 3&4S



U11S
LIONESSES
GIRLS
CURRENT YEAR 5&6S

★ WHY JOIN US

MAKE FRIENDS
JOIN A LOCAL TEAM
BUILD LASTING FRIENDSHIPS

BUILD CONFIDENCE
SUPPORTIVE, INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL

FA QUALIFIED COACHES
ALL DBS CHECKED & FA QUALIFIED

FIRST 4 SESSIONS FREE COME ALONG, TRY IT OUT - NO COMMITMENT, NO PRESSURE, JUST GREAT FOOTBALL IN A FUN, FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT.

GET IN TOUCH
GIRLS - WYFC.GIRLS@GMAIL.COM

WE ARE
A REGISTERED CHARITY & ENGLAND FOOTBALL ACCREDITED CLUB ★★









MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

MAY HALF TERM



26TH - 29TH MAY

Multi-Activity holiday camp providing active, engaging and memorable experiences during the school holidays
4 days, 6 activities every day, indoors and outdoors

**ST LUKE'S CAMPUS,
UNIVERSITY OF EXETER**

**08:15 - 17:15
AGES 5 - 12**

