

Willaston Primary School

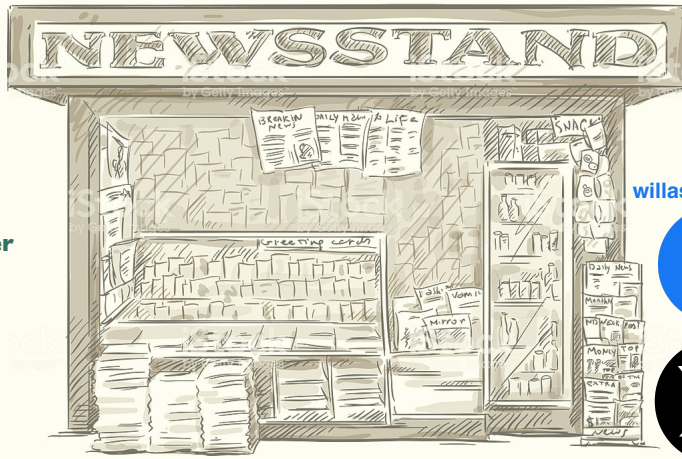
'Behaviour values: fair, respect, safe. This is how we do it here'



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NEWSLETTER
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Dates for Your Diary

- 22.09.24 Civic Sunday Service
- 30.09.24 Rock Kidz visit
- 09.10.24 External Validation of Willaston School
- 16.10.24 Y5 Outdoor Education Centre visit
- 21.10.24 Parents Evening (1) Info to follow
- 22.10.24 Parents Evening (2) Info to follow
- 24.10.24 Skipping Workshops for all classes
- 25.10.24 Break up for half term
- 04.11.24 School starts for second- half of term
- 07.11.24 Y6 First Aid Training

This is not an exhaustive list! The homepage of our school website has a live calendar of events - check it out!

NEW UPDATE

Willaston Quality Assurance Visit
On Wednesday, 9th October, we'll be welcoming external validators as part of the Isle of Man Quality Assurance

programme. This is an exciting opportunity for Willaston School, and we can't wait to showcase the hard work and fantastic learning happening here. More information will be shared next month, but we're looking forward to the visit!

Stay Connected!

Don't forget, all the latest news and events are updated on our school website, including a live calendar so you can keep track of everything happening here at

Willaston School! We're also very active on social media, and it's our main method of communication, so make sure you're following us on Facebook and Twitter (X) for all the latest updates. It's the best way to stay in the loop!

Exciting news—Tombola Cooking is back at Willaston School! From next week, our pupils will be getting creative in the kitchen once again. Keep an eye on our Facebook and Twitter for weekly photos of the delicious treats they whip up!

Civic Sunday Service

We are proud to announce that Willaston School will be represented at the Douglas Civic Sunday Service on Sunday, 22nd September. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to take part in a significant community event, and we're honoured to play our part. We'll share updates and photos after the event—stay tuned!

Young Farmers Craft and Produce Show

Congrats to our pupils for their fantastic entries in the Young Farmers Show! See their work tomorrow at Laxey Working Men's Institute, 1:30-3:00 pm.

Message from Mr Kelly

Welcome back to all our wonderful pupils, families, and staff at Willaston School! I hope you've all had a refreshing summer break and are ready for the exciting school year ahead! This is the first newsletter of the year and starting in October, we'll be back to our regular monthly newsletter schedule, publishing on the first Friday of each month.

We'll also be posting regular updates on social media—our virtual 'shop window' into the life of Willaston School. Make sure to follow us on Facebook and Twitter (X) for all the latest news, events, and achievements!

I'm also delighted to say that our new pupils have been settling in beautifully. The sound of laughter and chatter in the hallways has been infectious! A special shout-out goes to our wonderful new Reception children, who have been blending right in and making a fabulous start to their school journey. It's so heartwarming to see all the new faces getting involved and thriving already. To all our new families—welcome to the Willaston School community! We are so happy to have you with us!

If you ever have any questions or concerns, or just want to chat about how things are going, please don't hesitate to get in touch. I'm always here to listen! Best wishes as always,
Max Kelly, Headteacher.

The Willaston Way

We're excited to announce the launch of the Willaston Way, our new approach to developing smart, confident learners at Willaston School. Built around key principles of engagement, curiosity, and resilience, the Willaston Way is designed to help pupils become active participants in their own learning. This initiative complements our established Willaston Values—Fair, Safe, and Respect—and focuses on classroom strategies that nurture a growth mindset and independent thinking. Over the coming weeks and months, we'll be diving deeper into the Willaston Way and sharing more about how it works. Ask your child about it—we're already seeing its positive impact! Keep an eye on our social media for updates!

Wet Mornings Reminder

With the weather turning cooler, a quick reminder about our wet morning procedures. On rainy days, children can enter the school at 8:45 am through the main entrance and will be supervised in the hall until the school day begins. Please remember that for everyone's safety, adults should drop off promptly and not wait inside. Thank you for your understanding!

Rock Kidz are Back!

It's time to rock out at Willaston School! We're thrilled to announce that Rock Kidz will be visiting us on Monday, 30th September, for a day packed with music, fun, and learning! The children will explore themes like resilience, wellbeing, and anti-bullying, all through the magic of music. We're sure this will be an unforgettable experience for the kids—stay tuned for more details and get ready to rock!

