

Willaston Primary School

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



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NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2026

Dates for Your Diary

- 11.03.26 – Y6 STEMFest
- 16.03.26 – Public Speaking Competition
- 18.03.26 – IOM Cross Country Championships
- 23.03.26 – Parents Evening (1)
- 24.03.26 – Parents Evening (2)
- 25.03.26 – Willaston vs CyB Football Match
- 30.03.26 – Y5 Venture Centre Trip (Day 1)
- 31.03.26 – Y5 Venture Centre Trip (Day 2)
- 31.03.26 – Reception Trip to Knockaloe Farm
- 01.04.26 – Y5 Venture Centre Trip (Day 3)
- 01.04.26 – Y6 Trip Parents Briefing (6.30pm)
- 02.04.26 – School closes for Easter (3.30pm)
- 20.04.26 – School reopens for Summer Term
- 22.04.26 – Willaston vs St Mary's Football Match
- 28.04.26 – Football Workshops
- 04.05.26 – School closed – Bank Holiday
- 06.05.26 – RockKidz Day
- 11.05.26 – Y6 Shropshire Trip

This is not an exhaustive list! Keep your eye on our website and social sites for all the latest dates & events!

If your child is due to start school this September, now is the time to register at Willaston. Early registration helps us plan for a smooth start. Please also spread the word to local families.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook for the latest news, updates, and photographs of life at Willaston School.

Please remember that Willaston School expects all adults visiting the school site to act appropriately and treat others with respect at all times.

Message from Mr Kelly

March has been another lively and positive month at Willaston School, with plenty happening both inside and outside the classroom.

World Book Day was a fantastic celebration, and it was wonderful to see so many creative costumes and so much enthusiasm for reading across the school. Alongside this, our recent daffodil and decorated pot displays brought a real splash of colour and creativity to the school grounds.

Looking ahead, the coming weeks include a number of exciting events for pupils, including sporting competitions, trips, and our upcoming Parents' Evenings. These evenings are always an important opportunity for families and teachers to meet and discuss children's progress and development. Our Year 6 pupils are also beginning preparations for their residential trip to Shropshire, which promises to be an unforgettable experience for them later in the term.

I am also delighted to share the news that the Manx Lottery Trust has agreed to fund the next stage of our adventure play area development. This exciting project will extend the current provision and introduce new features that will also be accessible for our younger pupils.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of Willaston School and the wider community.

With best wishes, Max Kelly, Headteacher

In the interest of the well-being of our school community, we wish to remind parents of the 48-hour rule. If your child experiences symptoms such as vomiting and/or diarrhoea, it is imperative that they stay home and are symptom-free for 48 hours before returning to school. This measure helps in curbing the spread of infections and ensures a healthier environment for all.

ParentPay
A gentle reminder to keep your account in credit for school lunch payments!

A gentle reminder that school starts promptly at 8.55am! Don't be late!

Adventure Play Area – Exciting Funding News

We are delighted to share some fantastic news. The Manx Lottery Trust has agreed to fund the next stage of our adventure play area development at Willaston School. This will allow us to expand the current provision and introduce new features, including elements that will also be accessible for our younger pupils. Work will take place over the coming months, and we are hopeful that everything will be installed and ready for children to enjoy in time for the next academic year.



Year 6 Shropshire Trip - Parent Meeting Wednesday 1st April @ 6.30pm

Our Year 6 residential trip to Shropshire is approaching quickly.

To help families prepare, we will be holding a LIVE online meeting on Wednesday 1st April at 6.30pm to talk through the itinerary, discuss packing lists, and answer any questions you may have.

The registration link is available on our Facebook page, so please make sure to sign up.



Parents Evening

Parents' Evening appointments will take place on Monday 23rd March and Tuesday 24th March.

There may be some slight time/day differences for some classes based on individual teachers' working patterns. The full schedule will be shown on the online booking system.

The online booking system opens first thing on Tuesday morning, and parents can log into Arbor (<https://login.arbor.sc>) to secure a slot with their child's teacher.

We encourage as many parents as possible to attend.

School Uniform Reminder

A reminder that children should wear full school uniform each day.

Shoes should be black and school-style where possible, although we do accept plain black trainers. Some footwear has recently been very colourful and not in keeping with the uniform expectations.

Please also remember that polo shirts should be red.
Thank you for your support in helping us maintain our school standards.

Red Nose Day 2026

Willaston School will be hosting a Mad Hair Day to raise money for Comic Relief.

Children are invited to come to school with wild, wonderful, or colourful hairstyles, and they are also encouraged to wear red for the day.

More details will follow shortly.

Thank you to everyone who supported our World Book Day celebrations and the daffodil decorating activity earlier this week. It was wonderful to see so many colourful displays and decorated pots around the school. Winners were announced in assembly today, and the roll of honour can now be viewed on our Facebook page. It's clear that Willaston School loves reading!

