Willow Park Junior School

Before & After School Activities 2026–2027

This booklet contains the extra curricular activities available in Willow Park Junior School.

It does not include information on Rugby, Competitive Swimming & Golf, this information will be communicated through our communication app: Aladdin

Registration and payment for all teacher Supervised activities to be made through Payzone, please check the activity for registration and payment method.

We endeavour to be as accurate as possible in this booklet however the information, all activities and costs are subject to change.

Keep up to date on activities via our website: www.willowparkjuniorschool.ie
Please contact the relevant coordinator with any queries you may have.

PAYZONE

Payzone is our online payments system for school run events and activities. For any activities that state payment is through Payzone, the sign up form will only be available through Payzone and payment must be made through this system. This is only for activities run by the school. Activities run by outside coordinators cannot be paid for through Payzone. Please check this booklet carefully to make sure you are aware of the correct payment and sign up method for your son's chosen activity.

Details on how to activate your account can be found in the Payzone Guide on our website. Go to www.willowparkjuniorschool.ie and choose Payzone Guide from the Extra-Curricular menu.

Details of sign-up dates and times to follow. Some activities have limited capacity so please sign up as promptly as possible to avoid disappointment.

If you have any difficulties with your Payzone account please contact sec@willowparkschool.ie

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Junior Art

Age range:

Junior Infants—4th Form

When:

Monday JUN INF 2-2.50pm.
3rd & 4th Form 3-4pm

Wednesday SEN INF , 1st & 2nd Form 2.20-3.20pm

Dates: ***(excluding mid-term, Bank Holidays etc.)***

Term 1: Sept—Dec

Term 2: Jan—May

Venue:

JUN INF St. John's room—

Collection from a designated point in the top carpark

Cost

Will be confirmed by Michael, please text him for information

- **Clay Modelling**
- **Print Making**
- **3D Work**
- **Painting**
- **Recycled Art**
- **Drawing**
- **Glass Design**
- **Festive Pieces**

Monday:

Junior Infants 2pm-2.50pm (students will be collected by Michael from their classrooms)

3rd & 4th 3-4pm Form make their own way to the venue

Wednesday

Senior Infants 2.20pm-3.20pm (students will be collected by Michael from their classrooms)

1st & 2nd Form 2.20pm-3.20pm (students make their own way to the venue)

"Children engaged in organised Cultural Activities such as Art, do better"

(National longitudinal study; 'Growing up in Ireland'. Irish Times Jan 2012)

All classes subject to min amount of pupils before commencement

All fees are due the week before each new term and are non refundable.

Teacher: Michael Cleary (087 216 0909)

Payment directly to Michael Cleary.

Place must be confirmed by Michael Cleary to guarantee a place. Please text to book a place.

Club Busy Bee

Age range

Junior Infants & Senior Infants

Day & Time

Wednesday

JUN INF—2pm—3pm

SEN INF—2:20pm -3:10pm

Dates *(excluding mid-term, Bank Holidays etc.)*

Term1: 9th Sep– 16th Dec

Term2: 6th Jan—2nd June

Venue—

Junior Infants Class-room

Collection from a designated place in the top carpark

Cost

Term 1— €225

Term 2—€165

Club Busy Bees – is a long established and very popular class.

The class is run by Elaine Dunn who has been teaching in Willow Park for over 15 years

- Cooking
- Arts & Crafts
- Games
- Fun

After each class, your child will bring home a craft or cookie he has made during the class.

Please note

Contact Elaine directly to make a BOOKING and NOT the school reception…

Teacher: Elaine Dunn (086 872 4591)
Email: elainedunn01@gmail.com
All cheques payable to : "Merrion Int"
NB Please **post** payment & registration to :
Elaine Dunn: 31 Booterstown Ave, Co Dublin

ROOKIE LIFEGUARD RLSS UK

Age range

1st—4th Form

Day & Time

Monday

1st &2nd Form 2.20 -3.40pm

3rd &4th Form 2.40pm — 3.40pm

Term Dates

(excluding mid-term, Easter, Bank Holidays etc.)

Term1: Monday 14th Sep —week Monday 14th Dec

Venue

Blackrock College Pool

Collection from the Pool

Price: €195

HAVE YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A ROOKIE LIFEGUARD

- **Focus:** The Rookie Lifeguard program emphasizes water safety awareness, teaching children how to recognize hazards and behave safely around water.
- **Skills:** Participants learn crucial skills like how to float, tread water, and conserve energy in the water, as well as basic rescue techniques like reaching and throwing rescues.

Progression:
The program is structured into stages (Bronze, Silver, and Gold), allowing children to gradually progress and build their skills and confidence.

Benefits:

- The program not only improves water safety skills but also enhances fitness, coordination, and confidence both in and out of the water.
- **Progression to Lifeguarding:** The Rookie Lifeguard program can serve as a foundation for those interested in pursuing further lifeguarding qualifications as they get older.

Book early to avoid disappointment.
Limited spaces

Rookie Lifeguard is taught by Ms Willis.

Contact us on 086 838 7386 to enrol your child.

Stage Start Drama

Age range

1st Form - 6th Form

Dates *(excluding mid-terms, Easter, Bank Holidays etc.)*

Term 1: Sep—Dec

Classes begin Monday 7th Sept

Terms 2+3 Jan– May

Classes begin Mon 11th Jan

Venue

Library

Cost

Term 1: €250

Terms 2 and 3: €300

Payable via Cash or Bank Transfer (IBAN IE53AIBK93367817325096)

Class Teachers

Mr Mageean Mr Landers

Mr Halion Ms O'Riordan

Following the **Irish Board of Speech and Drama syllabus**, our classes promote and develop self confidence, performance skills, public speaking, team building and more, through a variety of improvisation, poetry, storytelling, drama and fun group based lessons and activities. Boys will also have the opportunity to complete **graded examinations with the Irish Board of Speech and Drama in Term 1** and take part in the **Drama Teachers of Ireland Feis in Term 2.**

Monday—5th and 6th Form (3pm-4pm)

Tuesday—3rd and 4th Form (3pm-4pm)

Wednesday— 1st and 2nd Form (2.20pm-3.20pm)

To register for Stage Start Drama classes, please complete an application form by scanning the QR Code below or Click Here To Register

Any further enquiries, please contact stagestartdrama@gmail.com.

Willow Park Choirs

Age range

3rd Form – 6th Form

Dates

Choir runs throughout the school year.
- Beginner's Choir (3rd Form):
Friday 8am
- Junior Choir (4th Form):
Tuesday 8am
- Senior Choir (5th & 6th Form):
Thursday 8am

Venue

- Junior Choir takes place in the Chapel
- Beginner & Senior Choirs take place in P5 Classroom

Cost

There is no cost for Choir, though we ask that boys can commit to punctual attendance every week.

Class Teachers

Ms. Catherine Madden
Mr. Steven Halion
Ms. Mairead Lochrie

The Willow Park Choirs are a great way for pupils in the Senior end of the school to engage in music and build performance and confidence skills.

No previous musical experience is needed and there are **no auditions**. Everyone is welcome to join the school choirs!

Children will have the opportunity to learn and enjoy a fantastic variety of songs and musical genres.

Throughout the year, our choirs will have exciting opportunities to perform and represent Willow Park at school events and special occasions.

Our Choir Teachers will visit classes during the first week of school with further information on joining and getting involved.

Come along, find your voice and be part of the Willow Park Choirs!

Homework Club

Age range

3rd— 6th Form

Day & Time

2.40pm—4 pm
Monday—Thursday
(*not available on Fri-days)*

Term Dates

All School Year
Beginning 31st Aug.

Venue

P4

Cost

€8 per hour

This is a 'drop-in' service, the boys do not need to register.

The boys will be supervised, but not helped with their homework.

The charge will be added to your school account approx. each month.

The 'club' is to facilitate families who require flexibility from time to time. It is not recommended that pupils attend the club on a continuing basis.

The boys should be collected from a designated place in the top yard at 4 pm.
Please send a note with your son if he needs to leave before 4 pm.

Places are limited. Payment should be made through Payzone.

Irish Cumann

Age range

SEN INF—6th Form

Day & Time

THU: SEN INF+1st Form
3rrd Form
Time: 8am-8.30am
FRI: 2nd/4th/5th/6th Form
Time: 8am—8.30am

Dates ***(excluding mid-terms, Easter, Bank Holidays etc.)***

Term 1: 10st Sept—11th Dec

Term 2: Jan— May

Venue

Classrooms

Cost

Term 1— €80

Term 2—€80

The format is an informal, yet structured oral-based class that allows those with a particular interest in the Irish language to speak *as Gaeilge* and delve into Irish culture.

This club is highly successful, and will continue this year.

The places are allocated on a first come first served basis, and in each module new boys are given priority to allow for all students to experience the class.

NB! AS DEMAND FOR THIS CLASS IS HISTORICALLY VERY HIGH, SIGN UP FOR TERM 1 WILL OPEN THROUGH EPP. PLACES ARE LIMITED. (no registrations will be accepted via phone, email or before the date specified).

Unsuccessful applicants will have their name placed on a cancellation/waiting list and will be offered a place should one become available or given first option to register for Term 2 in January.

Please contact :

rory.crinion@willowparkjuniorschool.ie

Sign-up and payment through Payzone

Patricia D'Arcy Tennis

Age range: Junior Infants to 6th Form

Days and times:

Term 1: Sept 1 - Dec 18

Term 2: Jan 6 - June 3

All boys from Junior Infants to 4th Form are picked up from classes and brought to tennis.

Boys will be supervised until tennis starts.

Venue: Willow Park Tennis Courts

Cost:

Mondays - 14 wk term - Starts Sept 7

1st, 2nd Form €265 - 2.30-3.10pm

New class 5th, 6th Form €265 - 3.15-4pm

Tuesdays - 15 wk term - Starts Sept 1

Snr Inf, 1st, 2nd Form €290 - 2.30-3.10pm

New class 3rd, 4th Form €290 - 3.15-4pm

Thursdays - 15 wk term - Starts Sept 3

Jnr Inf €330 (supervised from 2pm)

Snr Inf €290 2.30-3.10pm

3rd,4th form - €290 - 3.15 - 4pm

Friday - 14 wk term

5th, 6th Form €290 3.05pm-4pm

EXPLANATION OF THE ACTIVITY

What's covered:

- Forehands (sideways stance, early take back, follow through over the shoulder)
- Backhands (sideways stance, early take back, follow through over the shoulder)
- Volleys (punch in front with opposite step forward)
- Serve (toss, stance, 4 steps, follow through)
- Footwork drills
- How to rally
- How to play points with serve
- Have fun and learn to enjoy playing tennis
- If the weather is very bad we will supervise boys in the classroom

Please click the link to Sign up for classes:

https://signup.com/go/GszACHC

Contact details and information:

Patricia D'Arcy 0863983281

patriciadarcy5@gmail.com

Spanish Club

LESSONS SPANISH WITH MS. GARCIA FOR CHILDREN

Age range: Junior and Senior Infants

Days and times:

JUN INF – Tuesday (2pm – 3pm)

SEN INF – Monday (2.20pm – 3.20pm)

Term 1: 7th September – 15th December

Term 2: 11th January – 16th March

Term 3: 5th April – 25th May

Venue: Infants Classrooms

Cost: Payments via Payzone

Term 1: 200€

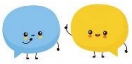
Term 2: SEN INF- 142 € JUN INF-122€

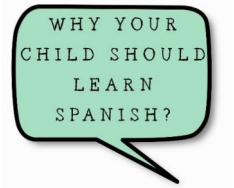
Term 3: SEN INF - 102€ JUN INF–92€

Contact details and information:

Teacher Laura

spanishwithmsgarcia@gmail.com





Spanish is the world's second-most spoken native language after Mandarin Chinese; the world's fourth-most spoken language overall after English, Mandarin Chinese, and Hindustani (Hindi-Urdu); and the world's most widely spoken Romance language.

Studies have shown that people who are bilingual are better at tasks that require multi-tasking and attention focusing than monolinguals. Brain scans show they have more gray matter in the regions of their brain that are involved in executive function. The hypothesis is that the effort to constantly choose the right language at the right time provides a "mental gymnastics" for bilinguals which gives them extra practice in focusing their attention.

These benefits show up early - new research shows that even babies less than a year old who are exposed to multiple languages show different cognitive patterns in their brain compared to monolinguals. In fact, some researchers argue that the best way to have smarter kids is to expose them to multiple languages when they are young.

And once you've learned one foreign language, it gets easier to learn others. So if you want your children to master a foreign language starting as young as possible makes it easier.

Learning through play and cooperative activities!

Small groups and native teacher with many years of experience teaching in Spain and Ireland.

Are you join us? Te apuntas?

French

Age range

3rd- 6th Form

Day & Time

Wednesday
3:00pm-3:40pm

Dates ***(excluding mid-term, Easter, Bank Holidays etc.)***

Term1: Wed: 9th Sep to Thurs: 17th Sep

Term 2: Wed: 6th Jan to Wed: 19th May

Subject to change

Venue

M3

Cost

Term 1 : €130

Term 2: €140

Why Learn French?

It is the fifth most spoken language in the world and the official language of 21 countries.

French is considered one of the easiest languages for a native English speaker to learn. It is a phonetic language, making it easier to speak and spell.

Sign-up and payment through Easy Payment Plus will be open on (to be confirmed)

If you require further information, please contact Georgina Adams.

Teacher: Georgina Adams

Queries: gadams@willowparkschool.ie

Irish Dancing Classes for Boys

Age range:

Junior Infants to Fourth class

(External classes available for 5th and 6th class pupils)

Term Dates:

Term 1: Sept—Dec

Term 2: Jan– May

Venue

Willow Park Junior School

Day & Time

Afterschool: Wednesday 2:40– 3:40 pm : Supervision from 2:00pm

Fees Paid Termly. Sibling discount available.

Coordinator

Irish Dancing classes taught by qualified Irish Dancing teacher Hannah Longmore T.C.R.G registered with An Chomhdháil. Garda vetted and insured.

Contact: longmoreirishdance@gmail.com

Text message only:

0879171687

Follow the link to book into a class

https://irishdancing.classforkids.io/term/73

Lego Club

Age range

Junior Infants - 2nd Form

Day & Time

JUN INF—Tuesday 2-3pm

SEN INF— Thursday 2.20-3:20pm

1st & 2nd Form

Wednesday 2.20-3.20pm

Dates ***(excluding mid-terms, Easter, Bank Holidays etc.)***

Term 1: 7th Sept—11th Dec

Term 2: 6th Jan—May

Cost

Term 1 €80

Term 2 €80

Collection: From a designated point in the top carpark

Lego Club

- Develops lateral thinking in a fun environment
- Teaches children to think in 3 dimensions
- Develops problem solving, organisation and planning by construction.

Lego Club will involve a mixture of traditional Lego and Lego technic.

Co-Ordinator: Willow Park Teachers.

Please contact Reception for any queries:

admin@willowparkschool.ie

Sign-up and payment through Payzone

GOLF LESSONS AT WILLOW

Age range:

Leopardstown: 1st Form to 6th Form

Elm Park: 3rd and 4th Form only

Days and times:

Leopardstown: Monday at 3.30pm and Wednesday at 3.30pm, if demand exists a 4.30pm class will also be offered on both days

Elm Park: Monday at 4pm and Tuesday at 4pm

Term 1:

Leopardstown: w/c 14th September for 11 weeks excluding two weeks at mid term up to and including 7th December

Elm Park: w/c 31st August for 15 weeks excluding one week at mid term up to and including w/c 14th December

Term 2: Dates for both venues will be confirmed by Aladdin in December

Term 3: Dates for both venues will be confirmed via Aladdin in March

Venue:

We offer two locations depending on your Form group. Leopardstown is available to all boys from 1st to 6th Form and Elm Park is offered to boys in 3rd and 4th Form only.

Golf Lessons:

Our Golf Lessons are run in two locations, Leopardstown Driving Range and Elm Park Sports and Golf Club.

The lessons in Leopardstown are offered to all boys from 1st to 6th Form and in Elm Park to boys in 3rd and 4th Form only.

Both locations offer lessons by fully trained golf coaches with plenty of experience at introducing young golfers to the sport.

If your son is interested in golf our lessons are a fantastic way to work on their skills while spending time with other boys and having lots of fun along the way.

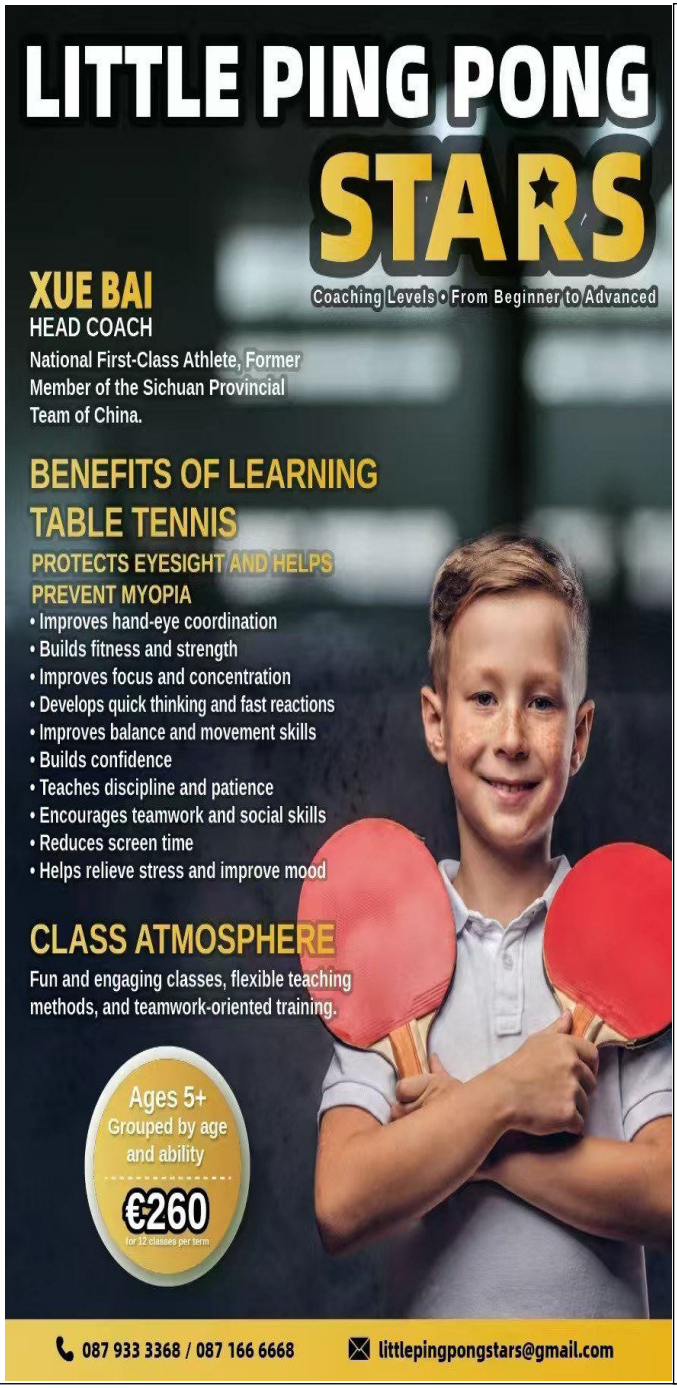
Cost:

Leopardstown Term 1: €275 per boy

Elm Park Term 1: €300 per boy

Contact details and information:

To book lessons please wait for the booking notification to be sent via Aladdin and places will be offered to boys on a first come first serve basis after the Aladdin message has been sent.



Monday Table tennis - 15:00-16:00 . **Sixth form**

Tuesday table tennis - 14:45-15:45.

Fourth form

Wednesday table tennis - 15:00-16:00. **Fifth form**

Thursday table tennis - 14:45-15:45.

Third form

Willow Park Core Extra-Curricular Activities

All activities are subject to change, depending on Interest and personnel

Day & Time

Depends on the activity

Dates *(excluding mid-term, Bank Holidays etc.)*

Term 1: 7th Sept—11th Dec

Term 2: 6th Jan—28th May

Venue -Depends on the activity

Cost

€20/term

Mon 2.45-3.45pm Basketball 3rd
Mon 3-4pm Soccer 5th
Mon 3-4pm GAA 5th & 6th
Mon 2.45-3.45pm Chess 3rd
Mon 3-4pm Chess 6th
Mon 2.40-4pm Homework Club 3rd-6th

Tues 2.45-3.45pm Cross Co / Athletics 4th
Tue 2-3pm Lego Jun Inf
Tues 2.45-3.45pm Soccer J4, K4
Tue 2.40-4pm Homework Club 3rd-6th

Wed 3-4pm Basketball 5th and 6th
Wed 3-4pm Chess 4th and 5th
Wed 3-4pm Soccer 6th
Wed 3-4pm Cross Co / Athletics 5th & 6th
Wed 2.20-3.20pm Lego 1st and 2nd
Wed 2.40-4pm Homework Club 3rd-6th

Thurs 2.45-3.45pm Basketball 4th
Thurs 2.45-3.45pm Cross Co / Athletics 3rd
Thurs 2.45-3.45pm Soccer J3, K3
Thu 2.20-3.20pm Lego Sen Inf
Thu 2.40-4pm Homework Club 3rd-6th

Friday 8-8:30 am Irish Club 3rd-6th form

Homework Club and Irish Club aside, teachers will arrange lists of boys partaking in above sports / activities. The teacher will communicate this in action with the boys and will try to give equal chances to all pupils interested in taking part.

Co-Ordinator: Willow Park Teachers

Please contact Matthew for any queries: mdalton@willowparkschool.ie

Payment through Payzone

Breakfast Club

Age range
Junior Infants - 6th Form

Day & Time

Mon - Fri 7.45–8.15 am

Dates

Term 1: 7th Sept — 22nd Dec

Term 2: 6th Jan—4th Jun

Venue:

School Canteen (Students must use entrance by the Chapel)

Cost

€3 per day

Breakfast Club is now available to all boys from Junior Infants to 6th Form. The younger students will be accompanied by 6th Form students to their classrooms after breakfast.

<u>The boys have a choice of:</u>

- Fruit Juice
- Cereal
- Toast/Butter/Jam
- Fruit

No registration is necessary just come along, sign in and pay on the day!

Co-Ordinator: Willow Park Teachers

Please contact Reception for any queries: admin@willowparkschool.ie

WILLOW PARK SHARKS

Age range:

Senior Squad 5th & 6th Class

Junior Squad 3rd & 4th Class

Days and times:

Senior Squad Mon 7-8am and Wed 7-8am

Junior Squad Wed 3-4pm and Fri 7-8am

Session times may change or be added to during the school year

Terms align with school calendar

Venue: Blackrock College Pool

Cost: €360 for the year (includes squad jammers, hat and t-shirt). Can be paid in two parts

Contact details and information:

willowsharksswimteam@gmail.com

Sharks are Willow Park's competitive swim squad trained by accomplished head coach Tristan .

The Sharks swim team represent Willow Park school at numerous galas and meets during the year as well as the Leinster and Irish School's Minor Championships.

Boys who would like to join the Sharks must attend a swim trial. Expression of interest to attend a trial should be emailed to willowsharkss-wimteam@gmail.com including:

Boys name

Boys date of birth

Boys class

Parent / Guardian name

Parent / Guardian contact details

Boys need to have good stroke techniques as well as able to swim 50m in three out of the four strokes, freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and dive.

PLEASE NOTE:

Places in the swim team are limited due to pool time and boys will have to attend a trial. If your child is offered a place, payment should be made through Payzone

SUPERMINDS

CONFIDENT MINDS • KIND HEARTS • BRIGHT FUTURES

EMPOWERING BOYS WITH GRIT, GROWTH MINDSET & RESILIENCE

OUR MISSION

To positively impact children's wellbeing by:

- Equipping them with essential life skills
- Helping them thrive academically & personally
- Building resilience, optimism & confidence
- Supporting long-term wellbeing

WHY SUPERMINDS?

- ✓ Learn to manage emotions & build healthy relationships
- ✓ Develop resilience, optimism & a growth mindset
- ✓ Thrive academically and socially
- ✓ Build confidence to face life's challenges with GRIT

HOW IT WORKS

Our interactive sessions use **fun games, stories, and activities**, backed by:

Psychology | Neuroscience | Positive Psychology | Social-Emotional Learning

LED BY A DEDICATED TEAM OF

- Qualified Teachers
- Montessori-Educated Teachers
- Special Needs Assistants (SNA)
- Garda-Vetted Coaches

Every child learns in a **safe, supportive,** and **engaging** environment.

Grounded in the science of thriving, Superminds ensures that every child can grow, connect, and reach their goals with confidence and resilience.

Superminds is a transformative programme for children **ages 5–13,** designed to build strong, confident, and resilient young minds.

12 WEEKLY SESSIONS	MAXIMUM 12 BOYS	AGES 5–13	SAFE, SUPPORTIVE & ENCOURAGING ENVIRONMENT
1-hour session each week	Small, engaging groups	Age-appropriate learning	

PROGRAMME DETAILS

- **Venue:** Willow Park Junior School
- 12 weekly 1-hour sessions
- Small groups (10–12 children)
- **€540** for 12 weeks

GIVE YOUR CHILD THE SUPERPOWER OF RESILIENCE!

Spots are limited (10–12 per group).
Secure your place today.

Superminds starts the 1st week after the Halloween Break.

AFTER-SCHOOL GROUPS

DAY	TIME	GROUP
TUESDAY	2:00 – 3:00	Junior + Senior Infants
TUESDAY	3:00 – 4:00	3rd Class
TUESDAY	4:00 – 5:00	5th + 6th Class
FRIDAY	2:30 – 3:30	1st + 2nd Class
FRIDAY	3:40 – 4:40	4th Class

Groups are subject to minimum enrolment.

PROGRAMME DATES (OPTION 2)

PROGRAMME 1

- **Starts:** 1st week of November 2026
- **Duration:** 12 school weeks
- **Finishes:** week commencing 8 February 2027

Christmas holidays are excluded.

PROGRAMME 2

- **Starts:** week commencing 22 February 2027
- **Duration:** 12 school weeks
- **Finishes:** week commencing 24 May 2027

Easter & Christmas holidays are excluded.

PROGRAMME FEES

ONE PROGRAMME	BOOK BOTH	SIBLINGS
€540	€1,000	10% OFF
12 weeks	24 weeks	sibling discount

READY TO ENROL?

Email us to book your space

supermindsie@gmail.com

After-School Club

We are an aftercare club that will take your kids after class or after their after school activities. We encourage them to do homework before indoor or outdoor play. We have staff that will assist with homework and will also play board games, draw or assist with activities the kids would like to engage in. Aaron (Mr Oreo) is the team leader and we have some fantastic staff that have extensive experience within the childcare field. We always aim to create a warm welcoming environment for the kids.

Age range: from Junior Infants - 6th Class

Days and times:

Monday to Friday

(from 2pm to 6pm)

Term 1:Mon 31st Aug to Fri 23rd October

Term 2: Mon 2nd November to Tues 22nd December

Term 3: Wed 6th January to Fri 12th February

Term 4 : Mon 22nd February to Fri 19th March

Term 5: Mon 5th April to Fri 4th June

Location: Willow Park Junior School

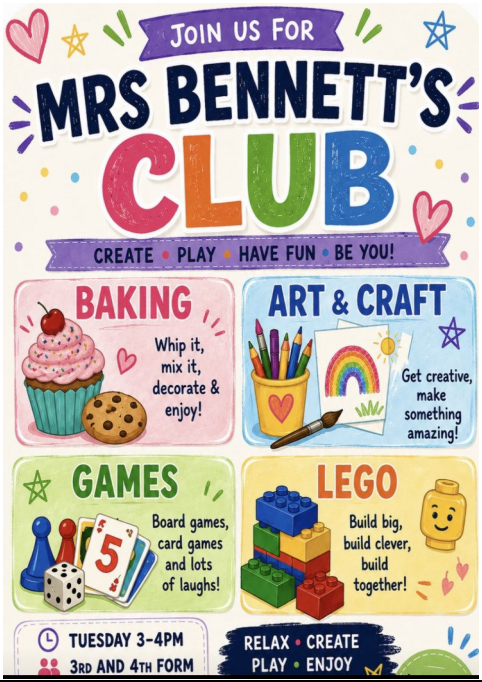
Venue: Junior/Senior Classrooms

Fees:

To register - sign up at

www.southsideschoolsports.com

SOUTHSIDE SCHOOL SPORTS



Age range:

3rd Form and 4th Form

Days and times:

Tuesday: 3pm-4pm

Term 1: 8th Sept –15th Dec

Term 2: Jan - May

Venue:

St Paul's Third Form Classroom

Cost:

Term 1 and 2 - 150euro

Only Term 2—75euro

In this Club you will a variety of activities:

- Baking
- Arts and Crafts
- Games and puzzles
- Lego and building blocks

Fun learning in a happy environment!

Contact details

cbenett@willowparkschool.ie

Payment through EPP, details to follow

EMERGENCY FIRST RESPONSE

Age range:

5th & 6th Form.

Days and times:

Mondays from 3.05 – 4.00 pm.

Term 1: Monday 7th September for 14 weeks.

(Excluding mid-term, school holidays etc…)

Venue: P6

Cost: 210 Euro inc manual, and materials.

Bookings can be made directly with Mr Paul Byrne on 087 6439583.

This School Year an EMERGENCY FIRST RESPONCE Course is starting after school, exclusively for the boys in 5th and 6th form.

This is a fantastic opportunity to give your son the skill to possibly save somebody's life!!

The course is internationally recognized and will lead to in house certification.

Classes are from 3.05 to 4.00 pm every Monday for 14 weeks, and will cost 210 euro which includes manual and materials.

*A minimum group of 8 will be required for the course to run.

Age range:

2nd, 3rd and 4th Form.

Days and times:

Thursdays 3.00 – 4.00 pm.

Term 1:

Starting Thursday 10th September until Thursday 17th December.

(Excluding mid-term, school holidays etc…)

Venue: TBC

Cost: 195 Euro.

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Willow Park is excited to announce the launch of a new Board Game Club this school year.

This is a great opportunity for children in Third, Fourth, and Fifth Form to enjoy both classic board games like Monopoly and Scrabble to modern favourites like Settlers of Catan and Ticket to Ride, don't miss out on this chance to indulge in some serious fun, and who knows – you might even leave with some bragging rights.

The Willow Board Games Club is a great way for students to make friends in a safe environment and participate in a range of different games.

Not only do the students improve their strategic thinking and problem-solving skills, but they also form strong friendships with other students who have a common interest in them.

*A minimum group of 8 will be required for the course to run.

THE YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS CLUB

Book online here:
ttps://form.jotform.com/262343290441047

Payment via Revolut (@yeclub) or by bank transfer (IBAN: IE62 REVO 9903 60821029 42)

Age Range:

Monday – 5th & 6th Form
Wednesday – 4th Form

Dates:

Term 1: Sept – Dec
Week commencing 7th Sept – week commencing 14th Dec

Term 2: Jan - May
Dates TBC

Venue:

Collection:

Cost:

Term 1: 15 weeks €225

The Young Entrepreneurs Club is a fun, hands-on programme where students discover what it takes to turn an idea into a business while developing valuable real-world skills.

Through engaging activities and challenges, students are given the space to think, solve problems, communicate their ideas, work as a team and strengthen leadership skills.

Creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, communication and confidence are at the heart of the programme.

Activities include public speaking, marketing & advertising, design thinking, personal development, sustainability, citizenship, profit & loss, STEAM skills development, podcasting, brain training challenges and much more.

From marketing to mindfulness and everything in between, our activities complement classroom learning while helping students build practical skills for school, future careers and everyday life.

Students also have the opportunity to put their learning into action by participating in our Christmas and Summer Fairs!

"My 10-year-old absolutely loves the Entrepreneurs Club. It has been an incredible experience watching them grow in confidence, creativity, and problem-solving skills. The club not only teaches kids about business and money management in a fun, hands-on way but also encourages teamwork and leadership. Seeing my child come home excited about their ideas and eager to take on new challenges has been amazing. I highly recommend this club for any young entrepreneur!"

Age range:

1st – 4th From

Days and times:

1st – 2nd class: Thursday 7.45am – 8.30am

3rd- 4th Class: Wednesday 3pm-4pm

(boys will be supervised from 2.40-3pm)

Term 1: September -December

-Classes begin week of Monday 21st September ***Please note later start date***

Term 2 + 3: January – May

-Classes begin week of Monday 11th January

Venue:

1st Year Wellbeing room

(located next to school gym)

Cost:

Term 1: €144

Contact details and information:

yogawithmsnolan@gmail.com

Balance, Breathwork & Movement

Children's yoga sessions combine movement, games, breathwork and relaxation in a fun and supportive environment. Children will explore yoga through playful movement and activities, while learning simple breathing and relaxation techniques that they can use both in and outside of school.

Sessions include:

- Yoga poses and sequences
- Fun movement and yoga games
- Breathing and breathwork exercises
- Relaxation and mindfulness activities
- Partner and group activities that build cooperation, teamwork and trust

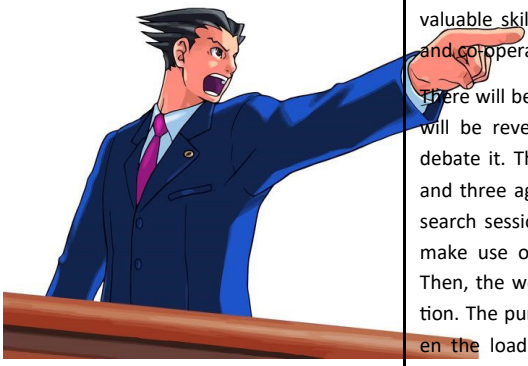
Benefits of Yoga for Children:

Yoga can support children's emotional regulation, self-esteem, focus and concentration. It also helps develop balance, coordination, strength and flexibility, while encouraging positive social skills, cooperation and teamwork.

The sessions are designed to help children feel calm, confident, connected and balanced as they begin or end their busy school day.

To register for yoga classes, please email yogawithmsnolan@gmail.com and await confirmation of your space, as class sizes are limited.

Willow Park Debating Society



Age range: 5th and 6th Form

Days and times:

Sixth Form, Thursdays at 8AM.

Fifth Form, Fridays at 8AM.

Term 1: 17/09/2026 – 18/12/2026

Term 2: 14/01/2027 – 19/03/2027

Term 3: 08/04/2027 – 28/05/2027

Venue: J5

Cost: 60 euro

Contact details and information:

adonnelly@willowparkschool.ie

Debating is the art of having a structured argument. The boys will learn how parliament debating is structured and the importance of proper etiquette when participating in a debate. They will also develop valuable skills such as public speaking, researching and co-operation.

There will be a debate every second week. A motion will be revealed and six boys will be selected to debate it. Three will argue in favour of the motion and three against. The following week will be a research session, in which the boys are permitted to make use of ICT resources to research the topic. Then, the week after, the boys will debate the motion. The purpose of the research session is to lighten the load for the boys, giving them a space to prepare without having to bring that preparation work home with them.

The boys are expected to prepare a three-minute speech that articulately and persuasively gets their points across. A timekeeper will be present to ensure that speeches are snappy and that the debate runs on time. Preparing and delivering a good speech is a crucial part of the process and where those aforementioned debating skills are sharpened.

The boys not delivering a speech on a given day will still be involved, as the floor will be opened up to everyone who wishes to share their point of view at the end of the debate. They will also be invited to assist boys speaking in the debate with their preparation during the research sessions.

After the winning team has been declared, a motion for the following week will be revealed and six new boys will be selected to debate it.

Aprende Español

Age range:

1st Form to 6th Form

Days and times:

Mon – 3rd and 4th Forms (3pm to 4pm)
Tue – 1st and 2nd Forms (7:40 am to 8:20 am)
Wed – 5th and 6th Forms (3pm to 4pm)

(Excluding bank holidays, mid-term, Easter, etc.)

Term 1: 12th October - 16th December

Term 2: 11th January - 17th March

Term 3: 5th April - 2nd June

Venue:

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Cost:

3rd to 6th Forms: 180€ per Term

1st and 2nd Forms: 140€ per Term

My name is Carlos López Romero, and I am delighted to offer fun and engaging Spanish afterschool classes at Willow Park Junior School. I am a Primary Education Teacher with a Master's Degree in Teaching Spanish as a Second Language.

I love creating lessons where children feel comfortable, involved and excited to learn. Whether your child is completely new to Spanish or already knows a few words, these classes are a great opportunity to discover a new language, make friends and have fun while learning.

Why Spanish? Why start now? Children are naturally curious, and these early years are a fantastic time to discover a new language. Learning Spanish can help children develop their communication skills, confidence, memory and awareness of other cultures.

Spanish is spoken by hundreds of millions of people around the world!
Learning another language from an early age can open doors in the future, but it can also be something simple and enjoyable that children look forward to every week.

What will the classes be like? Fun, active and full of Spanish! We will learn through games, songs, stories, videos, challenges, role-plays, digital activities and cultural experiences.

Children will have plenty of opportunities to speak, listen, play and use Spanish in real-life situations.
There is no pressure to be perfect: the goal is to have fun, build confidence and learn naturally!

Contact details and information:
clopez@willowparckschool.ie

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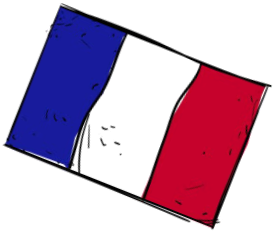

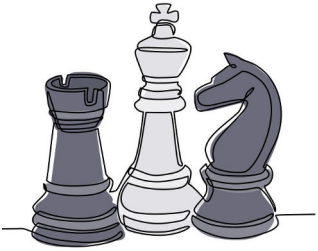

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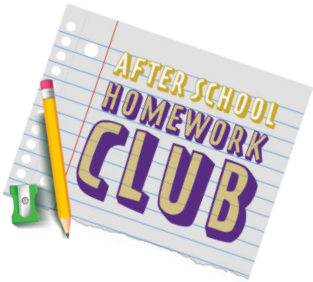
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