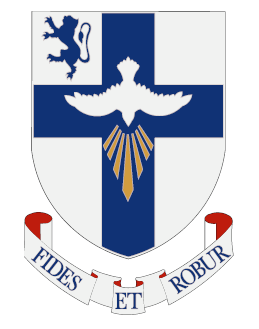
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***Willow Park Junior School***

***Parental Choice – Invitations***

It has come to our notice that families are issuing ‘Party Invitations’ to activity-based locations/venues that require Parental Consent/Waivers because of the nature of the activities involved .These venues often include transport via private mini-bus etc..

Clearly the onus is on parents to decide whether to allow their son to attend such celebrations - as such ‘out of school’ activities are the responsibility of parents.

Parents should obviously check-out such activities/venues and see what is involved-

*‘Are the activities appropriate for your son’s age?*

*Is there pro-active and adequate Supervision?*

*What are the implications of the Consent/Waiver Form?’*

*-* and then decide for themselves.

Parents should affirm their right to refuse or accept such invitations - and indeed, families might consider alternative options betimes.

It is not for the school to recommend or advise families on private parties. However, it is important that such concerns (as have been voiced) are brought to the attention of the whole parent body- as decisions made at home can influence the climate in the classroom.

Thereafter, it is up to parents to make up their own minds.

Thank you for your support.