

Wendover CE Junior School

Through living our Christian values, everyone at WCEJS has the opportunity to flourish. We nurture the curiosity to learn, the courage to lead and the compassion to care. Building Solid Foundations (Mathew 7:24-27)

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http://www.wendover.bucks.sch.uk/web



Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Collective Worship

We have focussed this week on what we get from the communities we are part of. This included, support, friendship and learning.

Next week, we will think about what we give to our communities.



Year Group Highlights

Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed the arrival and hatching of our 5 ducklings this week Practical science work has continued this week, with observing cress growing and sorting and examining rocks.

Year 4 children enjoyed the first session of swimming and showed very good listening skills in the pool. All three classes are excited for next week's assemblies and are looking forward to sharing their learning with their parents and carers.

Year 5 are learning more about the impact that single use plastics have on the environment and, in particular, the ocean. They have watched videos on the ill effects it has on the seas, the beaches and the creatures that live there. This helps them to write very thoughtful pieces in their English lessons.

Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their new computing unit on 3D modelling using Tinkercad

Weekly House Point totals



Doodle maths

As you know, we have provided online maths learning since September. The expectation is that all children complete up to 30 minutes of doodlemaths each week as extended learning (homework). This increases confidence and fluency, as well as giving them opportunities to develop good attitudes towards independent study.

We monitor time spent on doodlemaths each week. Whilst the whole school progress is good, some children are not engaging. Every child is expected to complete a minimum of 20 minutes per week – they can access doodlemaths through most devices. We provide additional support in school for anyone who has not engaged, allowing them to make up their time.



Dates for the Diary

4W Class Assembly	Tuesday 30 th April	9am in the school hall
4S Class Assembly	Wednesday 1 st May	9am in the school hall
4J Class Assembly	Thursday 2 nd May	9am in the school hall
Bank holiday (school closed)	Monday 6 th May	
Y5 Hobgoblin theatre workshop	Tuesday 7 th May	Consent/pay on parentpay by Friday 19 th April
RAF coffee morning	Thursday 9 th May	8:50am
Year 6 SATS week	Monday 13 th May – Thursday 16 th May	
Meet the SEND team	Friday 17 th May	9am
3J Class Assembly	Tuesday 21 st May	9am in the school hall
3W Class Assembly	Wednesday 22 nd May	9am in the school hall
3S Class Assembly	Thursday 23 rd May	9am in the school hall
May half term	Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May	
Inset Day	Monday 3 rd June	

Premier Education Sports Clubs:

Don't forget that Premier Education sports clubs are available throughout the half term! You can still book online (pending availability) and will only pay for the remaining sessions.

If your child hasn't already booked a place for these sessions, we encourage you to do so soon to secure their spot. Spaces are limited, and we want to ensure every child has the opportunity to participate in these enriching activities.

Booking portal: <u>https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/17247/?location=wendover</u>

Key Contacts: If you have any questions or need further information, please reach out to our dedicated team:

Venue Manager: Daniel Email: <u>dbell@premier-education.com</u> Phone: 01296 620 097

General Inquiries: Martyn Email: <u>office-11@premier-education.com</u> Phone: 01296 620 097

We look forward to welcoming your child to our Afterschool Wraparound Programme and providing them with a memorable and educational experience. Thank you for your continued support.

Fancy learning a musical instrument?

Here is an opportunity for your child to begin their journey in music, and develop life-long skills that they will never regret. At WCEJS we are working hard to provide pupils with more performance opportunities in music, and would love more of our pupils to get involved and learn from our talented peripatetic music teachers.

Did you know we offer: Drums/Bass/Electric Guitar (Pippa Beckford) Piano/Keyboard (Michele Beckford) Brass (Steve Kitchen) Strings (Gareth Hart) Classical Guitar



As music lessons are very popular some instruments become oversubscribed quickly but students can be added to a waiting list and offered a place as soon as one becomes available. Please contact the instrumental teacher directly via the email addresses below for further information.

Strings and classic guitar should be made via Bucks Music Trust <u>https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/</u>

Drums/Bass/Electric guitar/Piano please email beckfordmusic@hotmail.com

Brass please email rjkitchen@sky.com

Family Support

Our Time

The charity supports children of parents with mental health difficulties, see further information <u>HERE</u>

Support for Families and Staff

The <u>Support and Resources for Schools and Families in Buckinghamshire</u> document has been updated with further contacts and links for finance and budgeting, health and wellbeing, food and cooking advice. Please share with staff, families, colleagues, friends and let us know of anything we have missed.