

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)

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Respect Responsibility Reflection Resilience

Dates for your diary

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
PTA Easter Bake Sale	31st March	See PTA page for more info
Easter Service	4 th April	Y3 & Y4 - 9.15am Y5 & Y6 - 10.00am
Last Day of Spring Term	4 th April	Finish at 13:15
Order Year 6 Leavers Hoodie	7 th April	Deadline to order
First Day of Summer Term	22 nd April	School open 8:40am
Year 5 Waddesdon Manor trip	24 th April	Consent and pay via ParentPay
Year 4 Swimming Sessions	29 th April	Info sent separately
Bank Holiday	5 th May	School Closed

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action	
Hot Lunches	See email for Summer Term bookings	
Year 4 Swimming sessions	Log in to ParentPay and complete form	

Weekly Reflection

As part of our Learning for Lent theme, we have concentrated on how we can be nicer people. We also thought about how just one small act can have a big effect and can ripple through time — the story of the Feeding of the 5000 was shared by Jack, our new Pioneer Children and Families Minister for St Mary's Church.

This focus links in with the theme from last half term, which was all about making improving our community. We reminded ourselves of the pledge that children took to make their class the best it could be: waiting our turn, listening well and being kind.

Easter Service

Our Easter Service will be held next Friday in the school hall. Years 3 and 4 will have their service at 9.15am, followed by Years 5 and 6 at 10am.

Parents are welcome to attend.

Easter Poetry Competition

Ava in Year 6 is running an Easter Poetry competition. Entries should be given to 6J by 9am Thursday 3 April. Some entries may be chosen to be read out at the Easter Service on Friday 4 April in school.



Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Y3 had a really successful, fun filled and educational trip to Celtic Harmony on Tuesday. They children were well behaved, courteous and respectful to the adults at the site and the parent helpers.

Children are continuing to write high quality sentences during our sentence stacking phase of The Magic Paintbrush.

Year 4

The year 4 children have demonstrated great curiosity in science when researching animals that live in a particular habitat. They will be using that information when constructing food chains next week. Additionally, in guided reading the children have been reading about the consequences to a food chain of a species, such as wolves, dying out.

Year 5

Year 5 have collaborated well to create their fantastic class assemblies which they showcased to parents and family this week. This demonstrated how much they have learned and also how well they were able to reflect on the skills they have developed. Well done year 5!

Year 6

In History this week, Year 6 looked at how World War One affected Buckinghamshire and the local community. It was fascinating and the children got a lot from seeing familiar places depicted and talked about.

School Uniform

We understand that children grow out of uniform and that worn clothing sometimes needs replacing. Would you please support the school by ensuring that children wear the correct uniform and PE kit, unless this is really not possible. In such cases, please email the school office so that class teachers are aware and find replacement clothing as soon as possible. The school office will be sending reminder texts to parents otherwise.

There is currently a lot of lost property. We will be having PE kit checks next week – each named item is worth a house point. Children will be allowed to write their name on the clothing label if this has not already been done.

Medicine in School

We kindly remind parents that a consent form must be completed before any medication can be given at school. Prescription medicines should be in-date, clearly labelled, in their original packaging, and include dosage instructions. Antibiotics prescribed three times a day should be taken outside school hours, while four times a day doses can be administered at school with parental consent. Parents are responsible for bringing and collecting antibiotics daily. All medicines must be handed in at the school office.

For full details, please refer to the policy section of our website.

PTA News

Join us for our Easter Bake Sale on Monday 31st March at 3:30pm! There will be prizes for the best designs in each year group, and all proceeds will go towards supporting the school. The sale will take place under the gazebo after school—don't miss out!

Next Event:

PTA Bingo Night – Thursday 15th May. More details to come soon.



Lifeguard Needed

We are looking for a qualified lifeguard to support our school swimming lessons on Tuesday afternoons at Wendover Pool. This is a temporary position for 2-4 weeks starting from 29th April.

Applicants must hold a current lifeguarding qualification and have experience in pool safety procedures.

If you are available and interested in helping, please email the school office as soon as possible.



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 https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/

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

Brass please email <u>rjkitchen@sky.com</u>

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: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/17247/?location=wendover

Key Contacts:

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

Venue Manager: Daniel

Email: dbell@premier-education.com

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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.

Free parenting programmes and resources

If you are interested please click on the below:

https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/advice-and-support/parenting/free-parenting-courses/