

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
Year 4 River Showcase	20 th June	3:15 – school hall
Year 6 Residential	23 rd – 25 th June	Ensure payments are up to date on ParentPay
Year 4 Cricket Skills Event	27 th June	
Transition Day	1 st July	
Young Carers Fun Run	3 rd July	Pupil only event - children to arrive in PE kit
Strawberry Fayre	3 rd July	
Year 6 Production	9 th and 10 th July	See school calendar for timings
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	22 nd July	9:30am at St Marys Church – Parents welcome
Year 6 PTA Leavers Party	23 rd July	
Last day of term	23 rd July	Collect children t at 1.15pm

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action

Weekly Reflection

Our new focus is 'Core Self.' We will be think about the core values that drive our behaviour and make us who we are. This will be linked closely to our school virtues and values.

This week, we have continued to think about respectful listening and showing empathy for others.

On Tuesday, the children engaged well with Remco's retelling of the story of Zacchaeus. This emphasised th importance of empathy.

Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Y3 children have practising singing with actions ahead of the Y2/3 transition singalong next week Children are engaging well with our new text non-chronological reports in English, and are enjoying learning about pangolins as we go!

Children are demonstrating continued resilience in maths with our time topic.

Year 4

The Year 4 children thoroughly enjoyed this week's trip to the River and Rowing museum in Henley and demonstrated respectful behaviour throughout the day. They have also shown great creativity and geographical knowledge in designing and making some very detailed models of a river system. They are looking forward to sharing their work with their parents at the River exhibition and presentation next Friday afternoon.

Year 5

Year 5 had an educational visit to the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford this week to enhance their learning about the Ancient Greeks. They had the opportunity to handle some artefacts from Ancient Greece, explored various galleries of the museum, and saw objects which fascinated them!

Year 6

Another busy week in Year 6! The children have enjoyed having their hoodies to wear and production practice continues at pace. In between we have been exploring Archimedean and Golden Ration spirals.

Year 4 River Showcase

We'd like to invite Year 4 parents into school on Friday 20th June for a River Exhibition and Presentation in the school hall.

The children have been busy this week creating some fantastic river models, and they're really excited to show them off. It's a great chance to see what they've been learning and chat with them about their work.

Please come along at 3:15pm – we hope to see you there!



Cricket Tournament

On Thursday, 32 of our year 5 children had the great honour of representing our school at The Ballinger Cricket Tournament. The children took part in matches against other schools from around the county. Wendover 2 Girls came 2nd and Wendover Boys came 3rd, what a fantastic achievement and result for our year 5 Wendover team!

The children demonstrated their 4 R's consistently throughout the day, showing Resilience when playing against more experienced teams, Respect by congratulating other winners, Responsibility for keeping track of their matches and timetable and Reflection in their discussions regarding what went well and where they can improve in future matches.

We are very proud of our team's accomplishments at this tournament and hope they continue to practice and improve their skills. Hopefully their enthusiasm for cricket may also inspire others to give this fantastic sport a try!



Sports Day

We invite you to our Sports Day Race Morning on Friday 20th June. The races aim to start at 9:15 and finish around 11:30 (depending on speed of races). The running order is as follows:

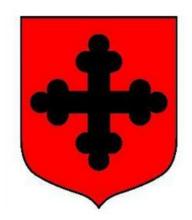
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-Year 3 (W, J then S)
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-Year 5 (W, J then S)
-Year 6 (W, J then S)
-House relays (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 then Year 6)
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(Unfortunately, we cannot give exact race times, as it depends on how fast classes get through their races.)

Entry to the school field will be through the school car park, via the John Colet field. Clear signage will direct you. Do not drive onto or park on campus (if you require access parking then please contact the school office before 4pm on next Thursday).

Children are to arrive at school in their full school PE kit – black shorts, house colour t-shirt, black or white sports socks. Please ensure they have a water bottle, sun hat with them and sun cream applied.









LAMDA Tuition starting in September 2025

We are thrilled to announce that Danielle Gaglione of Dramarama will be offering individual, paired and small group LAMDA tuition at WCEJS as a visiting peripatetic drama teacher from September!

If your child would love to develop their performance skills and build confidence in a fun and structured way, you can now sign them up for individual or small group coaching in acting or poetry at Wendover Junior School. Lessons are 20 or 30 minutes each week and will take place during the school day (on a rotating schedule so they don't always miss the same lessons or lunchtime).

Mrs Gaglione is offering 10% discount from her usual tuition costs for Wendover C of E students. To find out more see the poster attached to this email and register for a Taster Session on the website:

www.dramaramaclubs.uk/LAMDA

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:

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Email: dbell@premier-education.com

Phone: 01296 620 097

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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/