# Wendover Church of England Junior School

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### **Collective Worship**

This term we will be thinking about how belief can improve our lives. We will be using 'life hacks' to introduce the idea that something quite simple can make a difference and that we should look at things in different ways. We will also be considering how we can use the teachings from the bible, and other religious texts, to lead better lives.

### **Dementia Friendly Christmas Celebration**

Thank you to everyone who supported this event. It was a huge success and was attended by over 140 people, including Sir Jackie and Lady Helen Stewart. The school choir supported through their singing and in presenting figures for the Nativity and memory boxes made by children at Wendover Juniors. Well done everyone!

### **Times Table Knowledge**

We will be having a renewed push on our recall of times tables and our general understanding of number across the school. Please support your child by helping them to learn their times tables – a number of new website links have been added to the Extended Learning section of our school website to help you.

### **Healthy Eating**

A reminder that the children are only able to eat fresh fruit or vegetables at morning break and we provide recycling bins for the waste. Other items should be kept for lunchtime.

### **MUFTI Day – Friday 18 January**

On Monday we will be welcoming back two ex-pupils to lead our assembly. The boys are taking part in a World Challenge trip to Namibia in the summer of 2020 and have asked us to support their fundraising. The children are therefore invited to come to school dressed in MUFTI on Friday 18 January in return for £1 donation to support the work the students will be taking part in to help families in Namibia. Thank you for your support.

### Letters Sent Home Since the Last Newsletter

Home cross country event (XC club) Fossils workshops (Y3 only) Viking day (Y4 only) Hot dog day (whole school) Echoes 8 (choir only) Primary Young Leadership Conference (Y6 sports leaders only) PTA Bingo (whole school)

### Reminders

Y6 residential trip – £80 second instalment payment due via ParentPay by **FRIDAY 15/2** Hot dog orders – via ParentPay by Wednesday 6/2 latest

### **Diary Dates**

16 January	4W/4C multi-skills festival, John Colet
17 January	5W class assembly, 9am
19 January	WENDOVER CROSS COUNTRY MEET – ALL WELCOME
21 January	MIND mental health awareness assembly
21 January	Hazard Alley to visit Y6 (gas safety drama workshop)
24 January	5J class assembly, 9am
24 January	3W/3J fossils workshops

25 January	3S fossils workshops
30 January	Y4 Viking day including workshops
31 January	5S class assembly
31 January	PTA bingo & pizza evening, 3.30-5pm
2 February	Cross country meet, St Edward's Junior School
5 February	Class photos
7 February	4W class assembly
w/b 11 February	Y5/6 assessment week
14 February	4C class assembly
15 February	Hot dog day
15 February	Y3 Stone Age day
15 February	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
25 February	School reopens at 8.40am
w/b 25 February	Y3/4 assessment week
26 February	Y6 to RAF Halton (Trenchard Museum/WW1 trenches) – 50% of year group
1 March	National offer day
6 March	4J/4S multi-skills festival, John Colet
7 March	4J class assembly
8 March	World Book Day celebrations
12 March	Y6 to RAF Halton (Trenchard Museum/WW1 trenches) – 50% of year group
14 March	4S class assembly
14 March	Y5 to Holdenby House (Victorians)
14 March	Dance showcase, Grange School (street dance club)
15 March	PTA race night (adults only)
w/b 18 March	Last sessions of teacher-led after school clubs
23 March	District cross country championships, Waddesdon Manor
w/b 25 March	Last week for external clubs
26 March	Parent/teacher consultation evening, 4-7pm
27 March	3W multi skills festival, John Colet
28 March	Parent/teacher consultation evening, 4-7pm
29 March	Y3 to Whipsnade Zoo
1 April	4W/4C to River & Rowing Museum
2 April	4J/4S to River & Rowing Museum
5 April	Easter services at St Mary's Church, 10am (Y3/4) and 11am (Y5/6)
5 April	School closes for Easter holidays, 1.15pm
23 April	INSET day
24 April	School reopens at 8.40am

## **PTA NEWS**

### <u> Cross Country – Saturday 19 January</u>

The PTA will be selling hot and cold refreshments from 10am.





### Children's Bingo – Thursday 31 January, 3.30–5pm

Letters went out yesterday – please book via ParentPay (numbers are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment).

### 'Bag to School' - Friday 8 February

Please collect old clothing to put into the Bag2School collection; we raise funds based on the weight of the bags. Further instructions to follow but bags will be coming home via your child on 31 January.



### Adults' Race Night – Friday 15 March

Book the babysitter – we're running our first Race Night and have booked a professional compere to run the event.

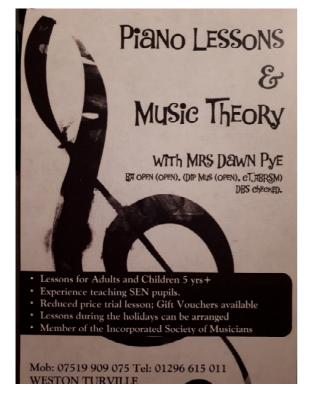
### Easter Crafts – Thursday 4 April, 3.30–5pm

Due to the success of the Christmas Crafts event, we are going to run an Easter Crafts session. Please look out for the flyer in the next couple of weeks. Children will work on 5 different crafts and receive an Easter Egg and snack for an all-inclusive ticket price of £8. Numbers will be limited to 100.

### **Easyfundraising**

When booking your holidays please use Easyfundraising. It costs you nothing but raises money for the school. Since our last update our cause has raised **£47.20** and gained **NO new supporters**. Our target is £2,000 and 200 supporters (half the families and staff). Sign up for **free** - go to <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/</a>







### **SUPPORT 4 PARENTS**

### Have you ever thought... If only I knew then what I know now..?

Now you can help in a really practical way.

We're looking for volunteers to work in a structured way with families in your area who are struggling to parent children under 8.

If you are interested in working with families and have experience in looking after children, you can make a difference.

If you can spare about 3 hours a week, we'll train you in how to pass on your precious skills and knowledge and we'll support you in doing a really worthwhile job.

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