Wendover CE Junior School Newsletter: 21.01.2022



We aim to be the school of choice for our community. 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

Governor update

Have you ever wondered about becoming a school governor?

Due to a number of governors reaching the end of their term, we have vacancies. This is a very rewarding role and one that is fundamental to the continued success of the school.

If you are interested in applying, or would just like to find out more, contact the school office at <u>admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk</u>

Times Tables

The learning of times tables is essential in children making good maths progress. Fast recall frees up working memory, so that children can concentrate on the calculation/maths problem.

Children should be using the TT Rockstars site regularly to help them improve their recall.

A learning update accompanies this newsletter. It offers guidance for parents in supporting their child's learning.

Dates for your Diary

Date and Time	Event
Tuesday 25 January	Year 4 Anglo Saxon workshop.
Thursday 27 January 9.00-9.30 am	5W Class Assembly
Friday 28 January – 3.40 pm	Year 4 Residential Trip Presentation to parents. We ask all parents to carry out a lateral flow test before they come in to school and wear a mask before entering. 2 adults per child welcome.
Monday 31 January	Year 6 height and weight checks carried out by the school nurse team
Thursday 3 February 9.00-9.30 am AM	5J Class Assembly Year 5 outing to the Wendover High Street – details to follow next week with timings
8 February, 15 February and 1 March AM	Year 6 class trips to RAF Halton. Full details to be circulated next week with details.
Thursday 10 February All Day	Year 3 Roman Day
Friday 11 February 9.00-9.30 am	5S Class Assembly
Thursday 17 February 9.00 am	SEND Coffee Morning
Monday 21 – Tuesday 22 March	Year 4 residential trip to Woodrow High House – 1 night stay
Monday 20 – Friday 24 June	Year 6 residential trip to Llain Activity Centre, Wales.

This Week's Highlights

Year 3 have enjoyed Julius Caesar role play.

Year 4 have done really well with division work and finding remainders.

Year 5 have enjoyed sketching iconic buildings in art.

Year 6 have written some wonderful WWI poems.

On Campus Traffic

Due to the continued use of the campus by unauthorised drivers, we have taken the decision to dispense with the one-way system when dropping off and collecting children. This is to reduce the risk of injury as a result of a road traffic collision.

Everyone must wheel cycles and scooters when on the pathways so that pedestrians are kept safe.

In order to support vulnerable parents, we ask that everyone continues to socially distance as far as possible and wear masks when directly outside the school gates.

School Uniform

We are seeing a growing number of children who are not wearing the correct uniform. The following is provided to help you support your child:

- Boots or trainers should not be worn unless permission has been given, ie for a medical reason (please email the school office)
- Leggings are not part of our uniform thick tights or trousers should be worn in cold weather
- Shorts/skirts must be of appropriate length covering most of the upper leg
- Trousers/skirts/shorts should not be tight fitting they should be uniform style not a fashion fit.

SEND Update

SEND Support Plans for Spring Term have now been drafted and have been sent home this week. This term, we have focused our efforts on a smaller range of outside-class interventions, so that we can maximise the amount of time that the children spend in class with their teachers and Learning Support Assistants.

Thank you to the parents who attended the last SEND Coffee morning, where we finalised our SEND Information Report. The next one will be at 9:00 am on Thursday 17 February 2022. All parents of children with SEND are welcome. Please let us know if you have any suggestions for the agenda.

Jennifer Bartlett (SENCo and DSL) Assistant Headteacher

ADHD and Autism Resources

ADHD and Autism Resources from the Integrated SEND Service at County Hall are attached with this week's Newsletter for parents of children with Attention and Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) or Autism. There is also a leaflet about a Youth Club in Aylesbury for children with Autism.

Not all of the things in the resource packs are relevant to primary children (or even children in Buckinghamshire!) but there may some useful resources. Do let me know if you find anything useful so that we can recommend it to other parents.

Mrs Bartlett SENDCo.



Wendover CE Junior School PTA, is a friendly, enthusiastic group of parents who organise events like the fun Christmas Crafts day back in December, plus fundraising initiatives that directly benefit YOUR children!

Events include movie and pizza nights for kids, quiz nights for adults plus a Summer Fayre for all the family!

- Want to help us make this happen?
- Could you help the PTA occasionally?
- Could you spare an hour or two every now and then?
- Would you like to make some new friends?

If you'd like to learn more about the work of the PTA drop us an email at <u>wendoverjuniorpta@gmail.com</u> or join us at the Shoulder of Mutton on **Wednesday 9 February at 8pm** for a drink and a chat as we plan the next PTA activities of the year!

We cannot do it without your support!

Street Dance

A fantastic opportunity for pupils of all abilities and ages to take up Street Dance.

This takes place Mondays and Tuesdays straight after school. The sessions are a fun way to make new friends and dance to the latest chart hits while getting fit and active.

Monday:	Years 5 and 6
Tuesday:	Years 3 and 4
Where/When:	School Hall @ 3.30
Sessions cost:	£4.50

To book your free trial contact Jenna on 07891251984 or email bodygrooves@hotmail.co.uk

Q & A

Q. When is after-school tuition finishing?

A. The current round of tuition finishes week beginning 31 January. The next round is due to start the following week (w/b 7 February)

Parents have been contacted directly with the offer of after-school tuition. If your child has been offered a place, please do contact the office to confirm your acceptance. If your child is not able to attend, please let the office know so that another child can benefit from this opportunity.

An appropriate snack will be provided before the sessions start at 3:45pm. Children will be available for collection at 4:30pm from the school reception.