

Wendover CE Junior School

Newsletter: 03.03.2023



*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)

Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Collective Worship

As well as working through our Lent challenges, we explored the theme of sacrifice this week. Mrs Harrison and Maya shared the story of exodus and how many had to make a sacrifice of leaving belongs and their home to move to a safer place. Remco shared his experiences of pilgrimage; this was a 300 mile walk to a special place with a number of sacrifices along the way - even having to leave his walking stick at the airport!

We have thought about the sacrifices people make for us and the sacrifice that we can make for others.



This week's Highlights

Year 3 The children are excited by the arrival of Bob the skeleton this week, here to help us learn all about bones and the human skeleton.

Children are enthused by the introduction of our new story book in English - The Incredible Book Eating Boy! We have learned lots about the Passover this week during a special talk - thanks to Mrs Harrison and have enjoyed being History detectives this week studying some Roman artefacts.

Year 4 have shown great learning behaviour during Maths and have engaged well with the fractions topic.

Year 5 took part in Dragon's Den this week, and did a fantastic job of presenting their pitches to the 'Dragons' - well done!

Year 6 enjoyed sharing books and reading with the year 2 children from John Hampden School for World Book Day

Road Safety

We have reminded children to:

- Always use pathways
- Push scooters / bikes across car parks and on pathways
- Find a safe place to cross, look both ways, walk across the road and continue to look both ways

Please help us by modelling this behaviour and remember that **no cars should be driven onto campus** unless you have been authorised to do so by the school office.

Additionally, parking is **not** permitted on:

- Double yellow lines at the campus exit
- Hatched area at the campus exit
- SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR yellow zig-zags around the campus entrance and the School Crossing Patrol



Reminder – Food Allergies

Children with food allergies

- Nuts: We have several children with serious nut allergies in school. Please do not send any items containing nuts into school with your child. This includes Nutella.
- Labelling: Bottles, other drinks and lunch boxes should be clearly labelled with the name of the child for whom they are intended.
- Sharing: Children are not allowed to share the contents of their lunch boxes.



World Book Day

Once again the children had a fantastic World Book Day and were dressed up in a wide range of superb costumes.

A special mention goes to our Year 3 Teachers who looked amazing! (aka Thing 1, 2 and 3)

Book tokens:

We have, once again, been fortunate to receive a £1 book token for every child in the school to spend on a new book! These have been given out today, so keep an eye out in your child's bag.



A fundraising well done...

A special well done to Leo, Mia, Isabella and Jessica for raising **£103** for Cancer Research UK in their Charity sale last week.



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WJS Easter Bake Sale

When: Monday 27 March 2023 at 3:30pm

Where: Under the Gazebo

Have fun creating amazing Easter themed bakes, bring them into school on Monday 27 March!

A prize for the best Easter-themed entry per year. Remember to name your entry if you want to enter the competition!!

Winners announced in the next School Worship.

All bakes will be displayed for sale under the Gazebo after school, so remember your pennies!!

Have fun, get ready, let's bake



School Office Opening Hours

Please note that the school office is open from **9:00am until 3:15pm** – this allows us to be able to get all of the children in and out of school safely by keeping the main entrance clear.

All other correspondence can be emailed to the office or via a phone call

Email: admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk

Telephone: 01296 696822

Dates for the Diary

Year 4 Swimming Lessons: Every Friday (Friday 13th January – Friday 10th March)

Year 4 trip: Monday 13th March at Green Park, Aston Clinton
(please log on to ParentPay to consent and pay)

Year 3 Roman Day: Tuesday 21st March
(please log on to ParentPay to consent and pay)

Easter Service: Friday 31st March at St Mary's Church (Y3&4 10am Y5&6 11am)

2023 PTA events

Easter Bake Sale: Monday 27th March

Strawberry Fayre: Thursday 29th June

Fancy learning a musical instrument?

There are still spaces in our extensive range of instrumental lessons.

Did you know we offer:

Drums/Bass/Electric Guitar (Pippa Beckford)

Piano/Keyboard (Michele Beckford)

Brass (Steve Kitchen)

Strings (Gareth Hart)

Classical Guitar (Chris Milton)



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.

Spaces still available in: Brass (Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn) Strings (Violin, Viola, Cello) and Classical Guitar
Some lessons can be taken in small groups, which reduces the cost.

Applications for:

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 rjkitchen@sky.com

Airplay and Ben Club for Service Families

At RAF Halton, Airplay youth workers are working in partnership with RAF Community Development staff to deliver a range of activities for children and young people. The initiative is designed to help relieve some of the pressure on highly stretched RAF families. Activities provided through the Airplay programme aim to stimulate and nurture children's aspiration, ambition and resilience. We also provide vital support and reassurance to families.



Monday

1600 – 1800 – Junior school years 3,4 and 5. Come along and hang out with friends and do fun activities including arts and crafts, games, cooking and more.

1800-2000 – Senior school years 6+. Come along and chill with your friends, play video games, do some cooking and other cool activities.

Tuesday

1530-1715 – Ben club for ages 5-7. Arts and crafts, games and more. £1.20 entry including a snack

All sessions run from the YAC (building 222) and sessions are £1 entry. There is a tuck shop with maximum spend £1 for Juniors and £2 for Seniors.

For more information about Airplay contact Julia Purton, Station Youth Worker 07548 831755
julia.purton@oneymca.org or Facebook: RAF Halton Airplay Youth Club

Premier Education Wraparound & Holiday Club

Premier Education are providing before and after school care every day the school is open and also offer multi-activity camps during the school holidays. Our aim is to deliver a top quality, Ofsted registered provision, with a range of stimulating activities in a safe, secure and fun environment, providing an outstanding service for busy parents.

Our staff will adapt each day based on particular children's needs or the weather, but timings and structure of the days will be consistent. Activities will be designed to fit in with the schools termly theme and include arts & crafts, baking, sports, Lego, games, quiet reading and general free play.

Our sessions run at the Wendover Youth Centre Monday to Friday for the breakfast and after school club. For the Breakfast club, children are dropped off at the Youth Centre from 7:50am, and will be taken to the school at 8:45am. Children attending the After school course will be collected from the school playground (meeting at the adventure playground) and escorted after registration over to the youth centre.

Prices:

Breakfast club, 7.50am – 8.50am - £5.25 a session

Afterschool club, 3.30pm – 6pm - £12.00 a session

Chilterns.office@premier-education.com

01296 620097

Booking:

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

Booking for Gymnastics and Dodgeball:

<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/12019/?location=wendover>

Next weeks activities:

Monday - Dodge-ball

Tuesday - 5 a-side football

Wednesday - Arts and Crafts (portraits)

Thursday - Board game bonanza

Friday - Movie and Pizza decorating

Family Support

Our Time

The charity supports children of parents with mental health difficulties, see further information [HERE](#)

Support for Families and Staff

The [Support and Resources for Schools and Families in Buckinghamshire](#) 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.