

Wendover Church of England Junior School

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Collective Worship

The Sermon on the Mount has continued to be our inspiration this week. We thought about what it means to be pure in heart and a peacemaker. Sometimes it is all too easy for our thoughts to become words which can lead all too quickly to actions. We thought again about the importance of reflection.

Children in Need

The School Council has chosen to support Children in Need for this half term's charity fundraiser. All children and staff are invited to come to school dressed in spotty and/or yellow MUFTI on **Friday 15 November** in return for a donation of £1. Thank you for your support.

Inter-house Cross Country

Children showed great determination on Tuesday afternoon, overcoming the rain and mud to complete the course. Purple house were overall winners – well done!

AiP Christmas Lunch

This year's Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 18 December and is open to all children, whether or not they usually have a hot meal. Please visit ParentPay by Wednesday 11 December to book.

Staffing

Next week we say farewell to Helen Brettell when she leaves us to take up a role outside the education sector. We wish her good luck in her post and thank her for the wonderful pastoral support she has given to our children.

Letters Sent Home Since Last Newsletter

Parent/teacher consultation meetings (whole school)

PTA Christmas Crafts (whole school)

Extended learning Christmas competition (whole school)

Learning Update (whole school)

Turnfurlong cross country meet (whole school)

School Travel Plan newsletter (whole school)

Reminders

- Y4 need a packed lunch on Tuesday 12/11 for their trip to the temple
- 6W class assembly, Thursday 14/11, 9am
- Y4 residential deposit due via ParentPay by Friday 15/11
- Children in Need MUFTI Friday 15/11 - £1 donation

Diary Dates

12 November	Y4 Neasden Hindu Temple trip
13 November	Y5 Chesham Mosque trip
14 November	6W class assembly, 9am
14 November	Change 4 Life tournament
15 November	Children in Need fundraiser – MUFTI day £1 donation
21 November	6J class assembly, 9am
26 November	Y6 e-safety workshops
28 November	6S class assembly, 9am
29 November	PTA Children's Christmas Crafts, 3.30pm
3 & 5 December	Parent/teacher consultation evenings (inc book fair), 4-7pm

6 December	INSET day – school closed
9-13 December	All after school activities finish this week
10 December	Flu clinic (whole school)
11 December	Y3 nativity performances, 9.30am & 6pm
17 December	Christmas service, St Mary's Church (Y3/4 9.30am; Y5/6 11am)
18 December	AiP Christmas lunch
19 December	Close for Christmas holidays, 1.15pm

PTA NEWS

Hello and welcome back after what we hope was a lovely half term break, despite the rather mixed weather! We got back into the swing of all things PTA this week with our first meeting at the Shoulder of Mutton and had an amazing turn out so thank you to all who came. One of the topics we discussed was how to make it easier for people to get involved, without feeling they have to be a fully-fledged 'member'. The reality is that while the PTA meetings are important to arrange the details of our events, it's the time and resources you give on the day that really make the PTA effective (and fun!). We will soon be launching a system to share what volunteering opportunities we have available throughout the year, allowing you to sign up from as little as a couple of hours to a whole event - whatever suits. Details coming soon. In the meantime we will continue to post details on the **WJS Parents Facebook page** and have an email group through which we also make requests for help. You can join this by emailing gatleyrachel@gmail.com, subject line PTA.



Bag to School – Tuesday 26 November

This scheme is a great way of helping the school make cash from your clutter. Your child should have come home with a large 'Bag2School' plastic bag for you to fill with unwanted items, specifically good quality clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels. But if you don't have an 'official' bag another similar charity shop collection bag would do. Simply bring your bag to the collection point outside John Hampden School **by 9am on Tuesday 26 November**. NB Please don't send bags into WJS – they must be deposited outside JHS to be collected. This joint fundraiser with JHS means that we receive 50% of all profits raised by both schools. <https://bag2school.com/>

Christmas Crafts – Friday 29 November - 3.30–5.00pm

This fabulous and very popular event is open to the first 100 children who register. The children will make a range of lovely Christmas themed decorations, gifts, cakes maybe perhaps even the odd cookie too. Full details will be provided soon; entry will be £6 per child, which includes a 'wrap a gift' present for a member of their family. NB This event is for WJS children only and parents do not need to stay unless they are volunteering on an activity!



Raise funds while you do your Christmas shopping

With Christmas around the corner now is the time to register for easyfundraising. This secure, online shopping portal includes over 3000 well known stores such as Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S. Simply register, click through to the retailer you want to shop with via the easyfundraising page and bingo! Retailers then donate funds to our school without you having to pay a single additional penny for your shopping, so let's get online and see what we can achieve together! Sign up for **free** at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/>.

Dates for your diary

The PTA has some additional new events in planning, but for now here are the confirmed dates for your diary:

- Friday 29 November – **Children's Christmas crafts evening**
- Thursday 30 January – **Children's bingo**
- Friday 6 March – **Joint JHS & WJS Adults Quiz night** (tbc)
- Thursday 26 March - **Easter Crafts**
- Thursday 7 May - **Children's film night**
- Saturday 27 June – **Strawberry Fayre**



Premier Holiday Camps

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† Mon 6th January is only available at Wendover

**Bishop Wood School,
TRING,
HP23 5AU**

**Wendover Youth Centre,
WENDOVER,
HP22 6HF**

Half Day: *9am - 1pm
St'dard Day: 9am - 3.30pm
Xtra-time: 8:30am - 4pm

*Suitable for children aged 4, for 'Xtra time' select this option when booking a standard day and pay an extra £5.00

Half Day: *9am - 1pm
St'dard Day: 9am - 3.30pm
Ext Day: 8am - 6pm

*Suitable for children aged 4

**Click to book
Bishop Wood Camp**

**Click to book
Wendover Camp**

Sample Programme;

	SPORT	PERF. ARTS	ADVENTURE
9.30-10.30am	Football	Gymnastics	Adventre Walk*
10.30-11.15am	Tag-rugby	Cheerleading	Den-building*
11.15-12.00pm	Basketball	Arts & Crafts	Archery
1.00-1.45pm	Swimming*	Street Dance	Capture the flag
1.45-2.30pm	Dodgeball	Drama	Fencing
2.30-3.15pm	Athletics	Musical Theatre	Nerf Wars

*Activities only available at The Wendover Youth Centre Camp

You will need...

- ✱ A packed lunch
- ✱ Plenty of water or non fizzy drink
- ✱ Weather-appropriate clothing
- ✱ A change of footwear
- ✱and loads of energy!

Don't worry!

Our Activity Professionals are fully insured and DBS checked. They all hold an Emergency First Aid certification.

4 year olds can only attend for up to 4 hours as per Ofsted guidelines. Swimming is not included as this take place in the afternoon, however children must be aged 8+ and be able to swim unaided. Please note that children attending the offsite adventure walks also need to be aged 8 or older. We operate a NO NUT policy on all of our courses. For full terms & conditions visit www.premier-education.com

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