# Wendover Church of England Junior School

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## **Collective Worship**

Awe & Wonder in the natural world was our focus for this week. We looked at images of the oldest tree in the world, the largest and the smallest, and some that had grown into amazing shapes. We then thought about the importance of trees and plants in our world. Children were challenged to find an amazing fact about a tree and to spend just a few moments thinking about them on the way to or from school.

#### **Jargon Buster**

We are reviewing our 'Jargon Buster' that is provided for parents on the school website to help you to understand the acronyms and terms used in school. If you have come across a word or phrase used by staff or your child that you'd like clarified, please email it to <u>admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk</u> with the subject heading Jargon Buster and we will add it to the glossary.

## **Y3 Library Visits**

Over the coming weeks, Year 3 will be visiting the Wendover Community Library. Please ensure your child has a waterproof coat and a water bottle on the relevant day (see dates below).

#### 50 Super Science Activities

Just a reminder that children are still able to bring in evidence of having completed science activities from the booklet sent home last month. We will continue to award certificates until the end of the academic year.

## **Campus Safety**

For the safety of all campus users, but particularly your children, please do not drive on to the school site at peak times, even if the barrier is up. We have an Active Zone around the school and we ask that this is respected by all drivers.

We would also remind you to respect our neighbours' rights to be able to park safely outside their own properties. We have today been made aware of a hit and run incident which took place at school drop off on Wednesday 25 April: a car was badly damaged on Icknield Close when someone tried to park but the car drove off. If you witnessed this incident, please contact the school office and we will put you in touch with the owner of the damaged car.

#### Reminders

Y5 Greek theatre consent/payment now due Y4 residential final payments due by Friday 25/5 Fees for all external after school clubs now overdue (street dance & karate)

#### **Diary Dates**

23/4-4/5	The Big Pedal (national event)
2/5	35/3C to multi-skills festival, John Colet
3/5	3C class assembly, 9am
3/5	3W visit to Wendover library
7/5	Bank holiday - school closed
9/5	Y5 Greek theatre visit
10/5	3J class assembly, 9am
10/5	3C visit to Wendover library
14-17/5	Y6 SATs week
15/5	Y3 beekeepers' visit
16/5	eSafety parents' information session, 2pm
17/5	3J visit to Wendover Library
21-25/5	Walk to School Week
23/5	Y4 Residential parents' information meeting, 3.30pm
24/5	35 class assembly, 9am
24/5	Y6 Roughshod Theatre visit/workshops

- 24/5 Music showcase, 6pm
- 25/5 Y5 Roughshod Theatre visit/workshops
- 25/5 Close for half term, 3.30pm
- 4/6 INSET day school closed to children
- 7/6 35 visit Wendover library

## PTA NEWS

## Easter Jars

Thank you for supporting our Easter fundraiser. There were some fabulous entries and we raised  $\pounds 250$  for the school.

#### Strawberry Fayre, Saturday 30 June

We are busy planning for this year's Fayre. Please do get in touch if you are able to provide a raffle prize or run an external stall. Raffle tickets will be coming home next week via your child. Thank you to all businesses and individuals who have already donated a prize.

#### Bingo & Pizza

The children had a great time at this event - huge thanks to all the parent volunteers and staff who came along to help run the evening. We raised  $\pounds 348$ .

## Neon Nights (Adult Disco)

Sadly this event had to be cancelled due to low ticket sales. Thank you to Lucy and team for all their hard work.

#### Easyfundraising

Since the last update our cause has raised  $\pm 33.38$  and recruited 3 new supporters. Our target is  $\pm 2,000$  and 200 supporters (50% of families and staff at the school).

Sign up for free - go to https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/











## **Badminton Summer Club**

## All Standards Welcome

Starts 4<sup>th</sup> June

£6 per session for 12 weeks or £50 on first night Mondays 7.45 - 9.45pm (beginners welcome) John Colet School Wharf Road Wendover **HP22 6HF** For more info: Email cat.wendoverbc@gmail.com www.bucksvoice.net/wendoverbc/





Lindengate challenges you to use your imagination and creativity to help us show the link between nature and wellbeing. It's up to you what you use: paintings, drawings, photographs, collages cartoons ... but it must be A4 size and include some well-chosen words. The rest is up to you!

- Free entry
- Entry categories: Under 10, Under 16, Adult, Group/Organisation
- Make sure your Name, Category (Age, Adult or Group), Contact details (email and phone number) are on the back of the artwork or in your email with artwork attached
- Competition closes 1 June 2018
- Judging at Lindengate Fair

Emailed entries to competition@Lindengate.org.uk or post to Lindengate, The Old Allotment site, Wendover Rd, Weston Turville, Aylesbury, HP22 6BD.

01296 622443

Full instructions and competition rules on the Lindengate website.

www.lindengate.org.uk

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#### **Believe** in children <sup>IIII</sup>Barnardo's Support 4 Parents

#### WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN?

Being a parent is the most important job we will ever have but also the most difficult, with long hours, new challenges every day and no training. No wonder that sometimes parents could do with a helping hand. Barnardo's helps these families with young children by offering support from trained volunteers.

#### What will I do as a Volunteer?

Volunteers help in many different ways - they may help their family to begin to get out and make new friends at a local Children's Centre or Mother & Toddler group. The family may need help because of illness or disability or they may need support to help sort out financial problems or get their children into better routines and encouraging good behaviour.

#### • Why should I get involved?

Parenting is not easy for anyone but some families are faced with extra problems that make coping with day to day problems difficult. Your help and support can help a family to move forward and make changes so that life is a little better and less stressful for children and parents. This would also enable you to gain valuable experience if you are planning to take up a career working with children and families.

We will pay your expenses and provide full training and support.

#### Am I the right kind of person to enjoy this work?

If you are warm, supportive, reliable and non-judgemental and know what family life is like with young children, then you are the person we are looking for.

#### How many hours a week will I have to volunteer

Volunteers visit the family once a week for 2-3 hours for a time-limited period. This is following a 6 week initial training course of one morning a week. The project asks for at least one year's commitment.

• How do I find out more?

Please either telephone 01494 568955 or email nina.loader@barnardos.org.uk or visit our website www.barnardos.org.uk

