

Wendover CE Junior School

Newsletter: 9.9.2022



*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)

Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Welcome Back

We were delighted to welcome everyone back into school on Tuesday. Children have been excited to share their stories about the holiday and eager to get back into school life. There is already a calm purposeful atmosphere across the school.

We truly hope that this year will be different to the last three – one that is not hampered by covid. In addition to further exploring our vision and values, we will focus very much on high participation, deep thinking and positive choices. We are also looking forward to engaging with parents. As well as face to face opportunities, we will be consulting the community throughout the year; we thank you in advance for sharing your thoughts with us.

There is work to be done as we continue to improve our school and we are in a very good position to start from.

Year leaders will be writing to parents next week, providing more information that will help parents support their child. Our Meet the Teacher session will be in school on Monday 26 September from 3.40 to 4.30pm – a chance for you to meet your child's new teacher in person.

I am sure that this will be another successful year for our school community.

Collective Worship

Worship this week has focussed on our vision. We thought about how journeys can be exciting but also a little scary sometimes. Knowing where you are going, and what you might expect along the way, helps to reduce anxiety and allows us to enjoy the ride more.

We also thought about what it is to flourish – we hope that everyone finds something this year that they are good at and that makes them feel better about themselves. We set the challenge of being curious about the world, yourself and others, of being courageous – trying new things and enacting change – and of showing compassion for those in need.

Tribute to HM Queen Elizabeth II

We met together as a school this morning to commemorate the life of The Queen. Mr Kynaston read through text he had prepared, taking time to explain some of the more difficult elements of the message (the text of the speech is attached as a pdf).

Children were respectful throughout the short service, which included a 2 minute silence - when everyone was asked to reflect on what they had learned about Queen Elizabeth II through their work on the jubilee, or to offer a prayer in support of her family. Mr Kynaston then shared a prayer as a candle was lit.

We are planning an adaptation of lessons on the day of the state funeral, anticipated to be Monday 19 September. This will be an opportunity for children to celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth II. Schools will remain open throughout the period of national mourning.

Uniform

It was lovely to see the children looking so smart as they returned to school this week. Please ensure that all items are named. If you feel that an accommodation to the uniform is needed for your child, for a medical reason for instance, then please contact the school office.

Please note that plain black shorts should be worn for PE. Jogging / tracksuit bottoms and a sweatshirt / tracksuit top can also be worn as an additional layer in colder weather (hoodies are not ideal for PE for health and safety reasons). Football socks should be worn – not school socks.

Young Carer's Fun Run

The new total for the Young Carer's Fun run, that took place in the summer term, to support the British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal, raised an amazing £718.00.

Well done to all the children and staff who took part, and for the Young Carer's for organising.

Dates for the Diary

13 & 15 September

Secondary School Transfer Tests

26 September 3.40 – 4.30 pm

Meet the Teacher

Revised Office Opening hours

Please note that the office will be open from 9am – 3:15pm.

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

admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk

Premier Education Wraparound & Holiday Club

Wendover Wraparound Club operates as follows Monday to Friday each week:

Breakfast - 7:50am – 8:50am, £5.25 a morning

After School - 3:30pm – 6:00pm, £12.00 a session

Click here to book onto one of the wraparound services.

Click here for guidance on how to pay with childcare vouchers

For any further questions please contact Premier's Wendover office on 01296 620097 Martyn – mhutt@premier-education.com