

Wendover Church of England Junior School

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Collective Worship

We are exploring a number of stories this term, beginning with the story of creation. We are thinking about the wonders of the world and how lucky we are to benefit from all the wondrous gifts we have been given - particularly at this time of Harvest. We hope to see you at our Harvest Festival services next Tuesday at St Mary's Church.

Meet the Teacher

It was lovely to see so many parents yesterday afternoon. We hope that you enjoyed seeing your child's classroom, meeting their new teacher and taking advantage of the refreshments offered by the PTA.

BBC Music Day

Today was BBC Music day. Children have been practicing their singing in preparation for our Harvest Festival and everyone received a sticker in recognition of their efforts.

Safety

To help staff and children at the end of the school day, would parents please wait away from the school gate so that children can exit safely and see who is collecting them. We have reminded all children about safety outside the school gates; would parents please support us by not allowing younger children to cycle/scoot in the waiting area and ensuring their children do not climb on the trees/cycle shelter/railings/posts etc. Thank you.

Red, White & Blue Day - Friday 5 October

We will once again be celebrating RWB Day to raise funds for ABF The Soldiers' Charity, The RAF Benevolent Fund and The Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity. The children are invited to come to school in MUFTI (red, white and blue clothes) and donate £1 for the privilege. We will also be holding a cake sale after school and donations from parents are very welcome. These can be dropped into school on Friday morning.

Extra-curricular Activities

Our before and after school activities will start next week and allocation details were emailed out on 20 September confirming which club(s) your child has been signed up to. If they have been given a place at a fee-paying activity, please ensure payment has been made to the relevant provider by Monday.

Uniform

Despite our plea in the last newsletter, our lost property boxes are already bulging with unnamed school jumpers and cardigans. If your child has mislaid one, please pop into the office any afternoon at 3.30pm or ask your child to come and have a look through the boxes during the school day. We do ask that you put your child's name in all their property to allow us to return misplaced items. Please also ensure that children are not wearing jewellery to school: a wristwatch may be worn and a single plain stud in each ear (to be removed for PE).

Punctuality

Children need to be in school by 8.50am each morning in order that they can make the very best start to the day. We will be monitoring punctuality and attendance closely this year and will be contacting parents where there is a concern.

Medicines in School

A reminder email was sent out this week as we have several children recorded as needing medication in school which has not yet been provided. Please ensure asthma inhalers and Epipens are brought into the school office by return and the necessary forms completed.

Letters Sent Home Since the Last Newsletter

Year group welcome letters and curriculum overviews (whole school)
Growth Mindset competition (whole school)
Space workshops (Year 5 only)
In2Action residential trip (Year 6 only)
Hot dog day (whole school)
Visit to St Mary's church (Year 3 only)
Red, White & Blue Day (whole school)
PTA foreign currency collection (whole school)

Reminders

Individual photos - Monday 1/10 - smart uniform required!
Y5 Space Day payment/consent - via ParentPay by Monday 1/10 please
JRSO Fun Day consent - by Monday 1/10 please
Y6 football tournament consent - by Monday 1/10 please
Harvest donations - by Tuesday 2/10 please
Growth mindset competition entries - by Friday 19/10 please
PTA currency collection - by Friday 19/10 please

Diary Dates

1 October	Individual photos
1 October	Clubs and activities start
2 October	Harvest Festival, St Mary's (10am Y3/4, 11am Y5/6)
4 October	Y5 Space Day
5 October	Red, White & Blue Day (MUFTI, donation & cake sale)
5 October	Flu clinic (Y3/4/5)
5 October	Y5 swimming lessons start (last session 30 November)
8 October	Y3 visit to St Mary's Church and tour of Wendover
12 October	Y6 qualification day
15 October	Inter-house cross country event
17 October	Y4 Anglo Saxon Day
18 October	PTA Film Night, 3.30pm
19 October	Hot dog day
19 October	Close for half term at 3.30pm

DON'T FORGET TO PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND HOUSE ON BAGS OF CURRENCY DONATIONS SO WE CAN ALLOCATE TO THE CORRECT HOUSE!

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JUNIOR SCHOOL

DO YOU HAVE A JAR AT HOME, FULL OF LOVELY LEFTOVER FOREIGN CURRENCY FROM YOUR HOLIDAYS?

IS IT FULL OF MISCELLANEOUS COINS OR NOTES, BOTH CURRENT AND OUT OF CIRCULATION LIKE FRENCH FRANCS?



The PTA can take this off your hands AND raise funds for valuable items for our children. Every coin and banknote counts. Even if the coin has no monetary value, the scrap value means it is worth something to us.

HOUSE COMPETITION

There will be a collection point in the hall for each house where children can come and put money in. We will weigh each house's donations on 19th October – the heaviest will get extra house points!

Please send your old coins and notes to school by **Friday 19th October**.