

# Wendover Church of England Junior School

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## Collective Worship

Our theme this week has been curiosity and we have been considering how we find things out. We thought about how animals show their curiosity and how we can learn by listening carefully and thinking deeply. Our theme for next week will be courage.

## Biology Week

Do you have a background in biology? Does your job involve biology? Would you like to help inspire the next generation? If the answer to any of these questions is yes, we would love to hear from you! Biology Week is running from 5 to 13 October and we are looking for a volunteer to give a short assembly based around their knowledge. Please contact the school office if you can help.

## Recycling at WCEJS

For many years we have been promoting recycling within school and are delighted to announce some new initiatives! We are now collecting all types of crisp packets, pens (including markers and felt tips) and certain beauty products (mainly wipes packaging, spray tops, flexible plastic tubes). Each class has appointed two Eco representatives to support and promote the collection of these items for recycling. We will also be sending home battery collection boxes for the children to fill – more details on this soon! Please encourage your child to bring in items from home to support all our efforts – the collection points will be in the hall. Together we can cut down on our waste and help our environment!

## Lunchboxes and Allergies

We have several children in school with a severe allergy to nuts. Please remember that we are a nut-free school and every effort should be made not to include items in your child's lunchbox which may contain nut products (always check the ingredients if in doubt). We also do not allow sweets or fizzy drinks in school, and children should not bring in sweets/treats for their classmates when it is their birthday. In addition, if your child wants a snack at morning break, this should be fresh or dried fruit or vegetables only. For ease of access, it is useful to pack the snack separately away from their lunchbox. Thank you for your support.

## School Uniform - REMINDERS

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform including shoes and PE kit (the policy is on the school website). Nail polish and cosmetics are not permitted. Hair should be its natural colour and tied up using a plain hairband (black, grey or red) if it is touching shoulders (boys and girls). No jewellery should be worn other than a single plain stud in pierced ears and the option of a simple, safe wristwatch. Children should not wear 'smart' watches in school and must ensure that any audio/visual alarms are switched off. All jewellery must be removed for PE lessons. Thank you for your support in helping your child follow the rules.

Please also ensure all your child's belongings are clearly (and permanently) named, including all uniform items, shoes, lunchboxes, coats, PE kits, so that misplaced property can be returned to its owner. Our lost property boxes are already bulging with unnamed jumpers and cardigans and these will be recycled on a regular basis.

## Medical Appointments / Changes to Pick Up Arrangements

To minimise disruption to teaching time, we ask that you try and make routine medical appointments (eg doctor, dentist, optician) out of school hours, in line with our Attendance Policy.

We also ask that you endeavour to contact the school before 1pm should you need to make a change to your child's normal pick up arrangements. This enables us to send a message to the classroom in time for afternoon registration, rather than disturbing lessons. Thank you for your support.

## Letters Sent Home Since Last Newsletter

Club allocation confirmation (whole school)  
Space Day (Y5 only)  
Hazard Alley trip (Y6 only)  
Year group curriculum overviews & welcome letters (whole school)  
Data collection sheets (whole school)  
Secondary transfer tests (Y6 only)

## Reminders

Data collection sheet – please return to school by Monday 30/9  
Y5 Space Day – payment/consent via ParentPay by Wednesday 2/10 please  
Y6 Hazard Alley – payment/consent via ParentPay by Friday 4/10 please

## Diary Dates

w/b 23 September	All after school activities start
23-30 September	Harvest goods can be brought into school
30 September	Harvest Festival, St Mary's Church (10am Y3/4; 11am Y5/6)
7 October	Y5 Science Dome visit
14 & 18 October	Y6 Hazard Alley trips
18 October	Y6 JRSO Fun Day
18 October	Secondary Transfer Test qualification day
22 October	Y3 Wendover tour inc visit to St Mary's Church
25 October	Hot dog day
25 October	Close for half term, 3.30pm
25 October	PTA Film Night, 3.30pm
28/29 October	Y5/6 Bikeability course (FULL)
4 November	School reopens, 8.40am
12 November	Y4 Neasden Hindu Temple trip
14 November	6W class assembly, 9am
21 November	6J class assembly, 9am
26 November	Y6 e-safety workshops
28 November	6S class assembly, 9am
29 November	PTA Christmas Crafts, 3.30pm
3 & 5 December	Parent/teacher consultation evenings (inc book fair)
6 December	INSET day – school closed
w/b 9 December	All after school activities finish
10 December	Flu clinic (whole school)
11 December	Y3 nativity performances
17 December	Christmas services, St Mary's Church (10am Y3/4; 11am Y5/6)
19 December	Close for Christmas holidays, 1.15pm

## PTA NEWS

Welcome back – we hope you all had a good summer! We have a busy year planned and hope you will be able to join us in supporting the school. Don't forget you can keep in touch with what's going on via the WJS Parents Facebook page which is run by the PTA.



### PTA members

If you would like to join the PTA, we would love your company! Your contribution can be as large or small as you wish, and you don't have to attend meetings if you can't make it. We meet 1-2 times a term and have a lot of fun organising events for the children. Please email the school office and we'll get in touch.

### Foreign currency

Please keep hold of any foreign currency that you didn't spend on holiday. We will be running another fundraiser this year to collect and convert this for the school – last year we raised £343. Keep an eye out for details via email.



## Thank you

Thank you for supporting the PTA last year - our children are benefiting from the following purchases:

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| • Classroom visualisers      | £2964 |
| • Classroom cameras          | £1430 |
| • Classroom PCs              | £8356 |
| • Scenery flats              | £707  |
| • Outdoor table tennis table | £650  |
| • Repairs to adventure trail | £1262 |
| • Year 6 Enterprise project  | £305  |
| • Year 6 leavers' pens       | £305  |



A grand total of £15,980 was donated to the school last year! Thank you for your generosity – your support is very much appreciated.

## PTA dates for your diary

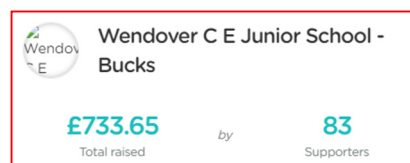
Friday 25 October	Children's film night, 3.30pm
Friday 29 November	Children's Christmas crafts, 3.30pm
Thursday 30 January	Children's bingo, 3.30pm
Friday 6 March	Adults' quiz night
Thursday 26 March	Children's Easter crafts, 3.30pm
Thursday 7 May	Children's film night, 3.30pm
Saturday 27 June	Strawberry Fayre

## Easyfundraising

If your child has just joined our school from JHS, it would be great if you swapped your Easyfundraising charity to WJS!

Since the last newsletter in July, our cause has raised **£46.19** and recruited **3 new supporters**. Our target is £2,000 and 200 supporters (half the families and staff).

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



## Want to Join in the fun?



### Why have a PTA?

We raise money to help enhance the children's experience at school to pay for items or events the school budget cannot stretch to.

### How you can help?

It's really up to you how many meetings you attend and how many events you want to get involved with, any support you can offer is greatly appreciated.

### Some of our events...



**DID YOU KNOW**  
THE PTA ANNUALLY  
CONTRIBUTE c £10K  
TO THE SCHOOL  
BUDGET? (This is c 10% of  
the school's discretionary spend).  
Making our school an even better  
place for our children to learn.  
Here are some of the items the  
PTA have bought...

- Digital Cameras
- Children's Lockers
- Playground Equipment
- Playground Games
- A New Stage
- Table Tennis Table
- Scooter Racks
- School Trips

For more  
information  
please leave your  
details with the  
school office and  
we'll be in touch!

## Raise funds for WENDOVER CE JUNIOR SCHOOL PTA every time you shop online

Find us on easyfundraising to start:

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£27 Million raised

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130,000 causes



# **LYMPHOMA** **action**

in Wendover Woods

**Sponsored Dog Walk**

Join us for our first ever Muddy Mutts Sponsored Dog Walk!

Registration  
**£5**  
 per dog and  
 per adult.  
 Under 16's free.

A true family event for all ages and a chance for dogs to do their part to help people affected by lymphoma!

On **Sunday 20 October** we will be walking our woofs in Wendover Woods to raise money for people affected by lymphoma, the UK's fifth most common cancer.

One circuit is 5k but feel free to do more!

Each dog will receive a special rosette and a Lymphoma Action bandana as a thank you for taking part.

Every 27 minutes one of us is diagnosed with lymphoma here in the UK. You and your dog(s) can make a difference.

Sign up and join us at

[www.lymphoma-action.org.uk/DogWalk](http://www.lymphoma-action.org.uk/DogWalk)  
 01296 619400 | [fundraising@lymphoma-action.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@lymphoma-action.org.uk)

The sponsorship target is £50 per family. Wendover Woods are situated between Wendover and Tring near Aston Clinton HP22 5NQ. Under 16's go free.



## SUPPORT 4 PARENTS

Have you ever thought ...  
 If only I knew then  
 what I know now...?

Now you can help in a really practical way.

We're looking for volunteers to work in a structured way with families in your area who are struggling to parent children under 8.

If you are interested in working with families and have experience in looking after children, you can make a difference.

If you can spare about 3 hours a week, we'll train you in how to pass on your precious skills and knowledge and we'll support you in doing a really worthwhile job.



Want to know more?

- Telephone Barnardo's Support 4 Parents for an informal chat on (07715) 428 690

- Email: [support4parents@barnardos.org.uk](mailto:support4parents@barnardos.org.uk)

- Or see the Barnardo's website [www.barnardos.org.uk](http://www.barnardos.org.uk)

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Judo is not just a valuable form of self-defence and an Olympic sport it is a life skill. It helps prepare young people to cope and succeed both at school and in life. It builds strength, balance, flexibility, confidence and respect. Our Academy provides a safe environment for your children to learn self-defence and self-discipline. With expert instruction from ex British Champions, Olympians and gold medal winners A.S. Judo is the leading provider of curriculum Judo in the South East of England with over 2000 members



**ALAN SCOTT - FOUNDER AND SENSEI**

- British Judo Champion Youth Olympics (Portugal)
- 7 Gold National Medals
- 3 Silver National Medals
- 1 Bronze National Medal
- Gold - Portuguese Open
- Gold - European Union Tournament
- 7th place Junior World Championships

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**A.S. JUDO  
 PANDA CUBS**

**4-8  
 YEARS OLD**



Judo is a great way for children to gain positive mental and physical attributes in a fun and friendly environment. Our Panda Cubs Program is specifically developed for children aged 4-8 years old.



Our program follows the judo curriculum and teaches the children important life skills whilst our welcoming, nurturing staff, encourage and motivate each student to do his or her very best.



Emphasis is placed on positive reinforcement and the benefits of good behaviour. Each highly structured class incorporates age appropriate physical activity and co-ordination exercises along with basic judo skills aimed at improving your child's dexterity and positive mental attitude. These skills will help your child become a better student in school, a better listener at home, a better all-around athlete and feel more ambitious towards his/her goals.



**A.S. JUDO  
 ACADEMY**

**8-18+  
 YEARS OLD**



**A.S. Judo Academy Elite - From age 8-18+, the coaching has an increased intensity as the students climb the challenging ladder towards achieving A.S. Judo black belt**



Students are pushed to master complex groundwork techniques, arm locks, strangles and throws which require more strength and fluidity.



Alan and his coaches encourage the students to compete and to be more aggressive in practice (all under strict guidance and control) and in doing so they learn the discipline involved and build self confidence that they can achieve the higher grades they are now aspiring too. Many students have been with A.S. Judo since the ages of 7 years old and are now on the verge of achieving their black belt before they are 18 years of age. They have made great friends along the way and have grown in stature, fitness and flexibility.



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 about your closest judo lesson -  
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