



# Wendover CE Junior School

*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 7:24-27)**

## Newsletter 1.12.2023



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**Respect**

**Responsibility**

**Reflection**

**Resilience**

# Collective Worship

As Advent begins, we have reminded children of the four aspirations represented by Advent candles: Hope, Love, Joy and Peace.

Weekly reflection over the next few weeks will focus on each of the candles in turn. We will be thinking of what we can do to show these important Christian virtues to one another.

# Uniform Reminder

Please remember that children are required to wear school shoes – not boots.

Different footwear may be worn to school in adverse weather (eg snow or heavy rain); children will be expected to change into their school shoes once inside the building.

Coats should be worn to school. Children will be going outside at breaktimes, unless the weather is adverse.

# PE Uniform Reminder

As the weather turns colder, children are encouraged to bring extra layers to wear on top of their PE uniform (e.g. jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt); shorts and t-shirt must be worn underneath additional layers. Cycling shorts or leggings may be worn underneath sports shorts for outside lessons. Coats are not permitted for PE lessons.

Earrings must be removed or else taped (parents need to provide surgical tape).

# Carol Service

As previously advertised, our carol service will be in St Mary's Church on the morning of Monday 18 December.

Y3 & Y4 9.45am

Y5 & Y6 10.30am

We hope you are able to join us.

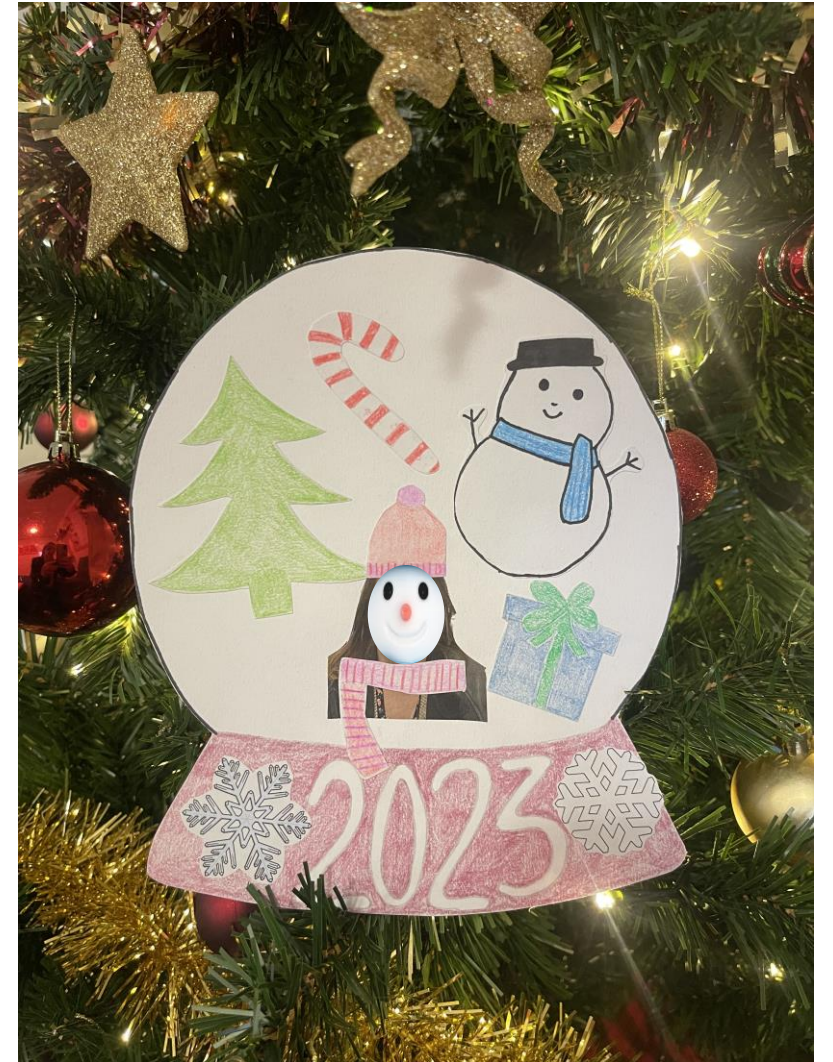


# This Week's House Points

|                 |              |             |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Purple House | 1050 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Blue House   | 1000 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Green House  | 790 points  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Red House    | 630 points  |

# Young Carers

This week's young carers meeting was a big festive hit as the children crafted adorable paper snow globes, decorating them with Christmas-themed pictures and adding a personal touch by featuring a photo of themselves. The activity was aptly named "if I lived in a snow globe".





# Moving up to Secondary School

**Family Support Service**



**How to...**  
**Move up to Secondary School**  
**Course for year 6s**

Getting ready to move up to secondary school? Not sure what to expect? Our short, six-week course could help.

**6 sessions cover:**

- What to expect at secondary school
- Making friends and dealing with peer pressure
- Tackling your fears and worries
- Getting organised

**Book by 5 February 2024**

To secure your place, scan the QR code for more information.

If you need help email [earlyhelpduty@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyhelpduty@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)

  
**SCAN OR CLICK ME**

**Courses start from week beginning 19 February 2024**

  
**Online**  
**Tuesdays**  
**5:30 to 6:30pm**  
Microsoft Teams

  
**Aylesbury**  
**Wednesdays**  
**5:30 to 6:30pm**  
Elmhurst Family Centre

  
**Princes Risborough**  
**Tuesdays**  
**6 to 7pm**  
Risborough Family Centre

  
**Moving up to secondary School**



- Advice and Support to help parents/carers and young people with the transition from year 6 to year 7
- Free courses available to help with the transition to secondary school



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# School Meal News...

From January we will be welcoming NEW caterers **Culinera**

Watch out for new menu's which will be available to view and book before the end of term. There will also be a competition for the children to name our school 'restaurant'.

## About Culinera

Our aim is to be long-term partner of the school; so we strive to deliver exceptional food every day. We do this by ensuring our team have the tools and skill-set to cook fresh food, from scratch every single day.

## Our food

All of our meals are freshly prepared within the school kitchen. Our menus are nutritionally analysed to ensure they meet and, in most cases, exceed standards. We are committed to constantly reviewing our menus and recipes to ensure they are healthy. We also have a number of plant-based recipes to our menus and meat free days to support the sustainability aspects of our offer.



TASTERS /  
SAMPLES



SUGAR  
SWAPS



PLANT  
POWER



HIGH  
STREET  
CONCEPTS



HEALTHY  
EATING  
POINTS

## AVAILABLE DAILY

- Meat and vegetarian options
- Junior School pop-ups
- Fresh jacket potato and fillings
- Deli boxes
- Daily, fresh salad bar with flavoured bread
- 4 pudding options
- Introducing hydration stations

# Campus Safety

Please be reminded that driving on campus is prohibited unless you have requested a campus permit from the school office.

If the barrier is up during school drop off/school pick up times please respect the campus rules and do not drive up.

If you do have permission to drive up and park please be mindful and switch off your car engine whilst waiting.

Did you know?

One minute of a car engine idling produces enough emissions to fill 150 balloons!

Switching off your car engine when parked is a simple way we can help the air we breath.

Children are especially vulnerable to the effects of air pollution.

Please do not leave your car engine idling – let's help keep our school children healthy.

# Dates for the Diary

|                           |                                                                           |                                                               |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| INSET Day                 | Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December                                           |                                                               |
| Harrisons Christmas Lunch | Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December                                         | Bookable on ParentPay until Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December |
| Year 3 Nativity           | Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December<br>Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December | Afternoon performance<br>Evening performance                  |
| Year 6 Mayan Day          | Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December                                          |                                                               |
| Christmas Service         | Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December                                          | St Mary's Church<br>Y3/Y4 9:45am<br>Y5/Y6 10:30am             |
| Last day of Autumn Term   | Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December                                         | Finish at 13:15                                               |
| First day of Spring Term  | Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January                                          | 8:40am                                                        |

# Premier Education Wraparound & Holiday Club

We're thrilled to share the weekly activities schedule for our Afterschool Wraparound Program, running Monday to Friday. Our goal is to provide a fun, engaging, and enriching experience for your children.

Premier Education Sports Clubs: 🏆

Don't forget that Premier Education sports clubs are available throughout the half term! You can still book online (pending availability) and will only pay for the remaining sessions.

If your child hasn't already booked a place for these sessions, we encourage you to do so soon to secure their spot. Spaces are limited, and we want to ensure every child has the opportunity to participate in these enriching activities.

Booking portal: 📱 <https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/17247/?location=wendover>

Key Contacts: 📞

If you have any questions or need further information, please reach out to our dedicated team:

Venue Manager: Jaki Birch

✉ Email: [jbirch@premier-education.com](mailto:jbirch@premier-education.com)

☎ Phone: 01296 620 097

General Inquiries: Martyn




✉ Email: [office-11@premier-education.com](mailto:office-11@premier-education.com)

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We look forward to welcoming your child to our Afterschool Wraparound Program and providing them with a memorable and educational experience. Thank you for your continued support.

# Next week at Wendover Wraparound...




## Monday: Active Minds

-  Breakfast: Pool, Table Tennis, Board Games, Quiet Room, Air Hockey, Lego & Colouring.
-  Afternoon Main Session: Find Elf on the shelf
-  Sports club: Yr 5 & 6 Football at the Junior School (Fully Booked).




## Tuesday: Enrichment and wellness

-  Breakfast: Pool, Table Tennis, Board Games, Quiet Room, Air Hockey, Lego & Colouring.
-  Afternoon Main Session- make a Lolly pop Christmas Tree
-  Sports club: Yr 5 & 6 Netball at the Junior School (Spaces left).



## Wednesday: Physical Play

-  Breakfast: Pool, Table Tennis, Board Games, Quiet Room, Air Hockey, Lego & Colouring.
-  Afternoon Main Session: Indoor Curling
-  Sports club: Yr 3 - 6 Dodgeball at the Junior School (Fully Booked).

## Thursday: Active Minds

-  Breakfast: Pool, Table Tennis, Board Games, Quiet Room, Air Hockey, Lego & Colouring.
-  Afternoon Main Session: Christmas Scavenger Hunt
-  Sports club: Yr 3 - 6 Gymnastics at the Junior School (Fully Booked).

## Friday: Enrichment and wellness

-  Breakfast: Pool, Table Tennis, Board Games, Quiet Room, Air Hockey, Lego & Colouring.
-   Afternoon Main Session: Cake Decorating Christmas Themed



## Lunch-time Performing Arts Clubs

at Wendover Junior School

*Grow in confidence, develop communication, co-ordination and collaboration AND have FUN!*

MONDAYS with ALANA  
Musical Theatre Club (yrs 3-6)

WEDNESDAYS with DANIELLE  
Drama Club (yrs 4-6)

THURSDAYS with ALANA  
Drama Club (yrs 3 & 4)



We are delighted to partner with ***Dramarama Clubs*** to provide lunchtime performing arts opportunities for our students in the school library.

Children are invited to either bring a packed lunch to the club or get a fast-pass to their hot dinner and join after they've eaten

The new term starts on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September and places should be booked directly with Dramarama on their website.

Term starts Mon 18th Sept. Places must be booked online:

[www.dramaramaclubs.uk](http://www.dramaramaclubs.uk)



# Fancy learning a musical instrument?

There are still spaces in our extensive range of instrumental lessons.

Did you know we offer:

Drums/Bass/Electric Guitar (Pippa Beckford)

Piano/Keyboard (Michele Beckford)

Brass (Steve Kitchen)

Strings (Gareth Hart)

Classical Guitar (Chris Milton)



Here is an opportunity for your child to begin their journey in music, and develop life-long skills that they will never regret.

At WCEJS we are working hard to provide pupils with more performance opportunities in music, and would love more of our pupils to get involved and learn from our talented peripatetic music teachers.

Spaces still available in: Brass (Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn) Strings (Violin, Viola, Cello) and Classical Guitar

Some lessons can be taken in small groups, which reduces the cost.

Applications for:

**Strings and classic guitar** should be made via Bucks Music Trust <https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/>

**Drums/Bass/Electric guitar/Piano** please email [beckfordmusic@hotmail.com](mailto:beckfordmusic@hotmail.com)

**Brass** please email [rjkitchen@sky.com](mailto:rjkitchen@sky.com)

# Family Support

## Our Time

The charity supports children of parents with mental health difficulties, see further information [HERE](#)

## Support for Families and Staff

The [Support and Resources for Schools and Families in Buckinghamshire](#) document has been updated with further contacts and links for finance and budgeting, health and wellbeing, food and cooking advice. Please share with staff, families, colleagues, friends and let us know of anything we have missed.