



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)

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Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Collective Worship

Our third candle has been lit this week. We have been thinking about the simple things that we can do to spread Joy. As well, we considered about what people around the world might want as a Christmas present, including water, food, shelter, safety and their family.

May all that are hungry be fed,

May whoever is feeling weak be given strength,

May all who carry heavy burdens have them lightened,

May all that feel threatened be safe,

May all who need miracles be blessed.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Amen



Year Group Highlights

Year 3 performed to the rest of the school and their adults this week - they were brilliant!

The children have enjoyed making Christmas cards using gluing, painting, cutting, sticking and composition skills

Year 4 children have enjoyed working in groups to research, write and produce a factual booklet on different aspects of Ancient Egyptian life.

Year 5 had a productive week, learning about division in Maths, writing their own reports of a mission to space, getting stranded on a planet and describing their hopes for survival, and concluded the week with netball games on the MUGA - some excellent footwork was displayed!

Year 6 had great fun during their Ancient Maya Day. They printed some fantastic Maya designs onto T-shirts; created impressive Maya masks and enjoyed creating patterns using weaving. In the afternoon, some children were brave tasting guava, avocado and papaya for the very first time. In addition to this they thoroughly enjoyed their hot drink, we just forgot to add a hint of chilli!

This Week's House Points

1 st	Purple House	860 points
2 nd	Red House	750 points
3 rd	Green House	600 points
4 th	Blue House	420 points

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.



School Meal News...

The award winning Culinera is the chosen catering company for Wendover CE Junior School; the newest and freshest independently owned, education focused caterer in the South of England.

They are passionate about serving fresh, high quality and locally sourced ingredients in our meals.

Please **register allergies** and **book lunches** via the tab below:

<https://www.myculinera.co.uk/wendoverjunior>

Menus will be available to view and book **from 27th December**.
Once bookings are open you will be able to book your child's lunch up until 8am of the same morning.



PTA Christmas Hamper raffle

Thank you for all of your generous donations for our PTA Christmas hamper raffle, the numbers have been drawn and the winners are...

Alex – year 3

Jack – year 3

Isaac – year 6

Xander – year 4

Dominic – year 6

Kit – year 6

Mrs German

Harry – year 5

Rosie – year 6

William – year 6

Mrs Simpson

Jack – year 6

Penny – year 5

Sylvie – year 4

Eva – year 6

Please collect your prize from the school office **by 12 o'clock on Tuesday 19th December**



Charity Sale

A group of children are holding a charity sale on Monday lunchtime

Stationery and small gifts no more than £2 each item.

Children may bring pocket money in to spend.



Appropriate use of devices...

We recognise that parents may wish to record images of their child whilst on the school campus or whilst engaged in school activities elsewhere.

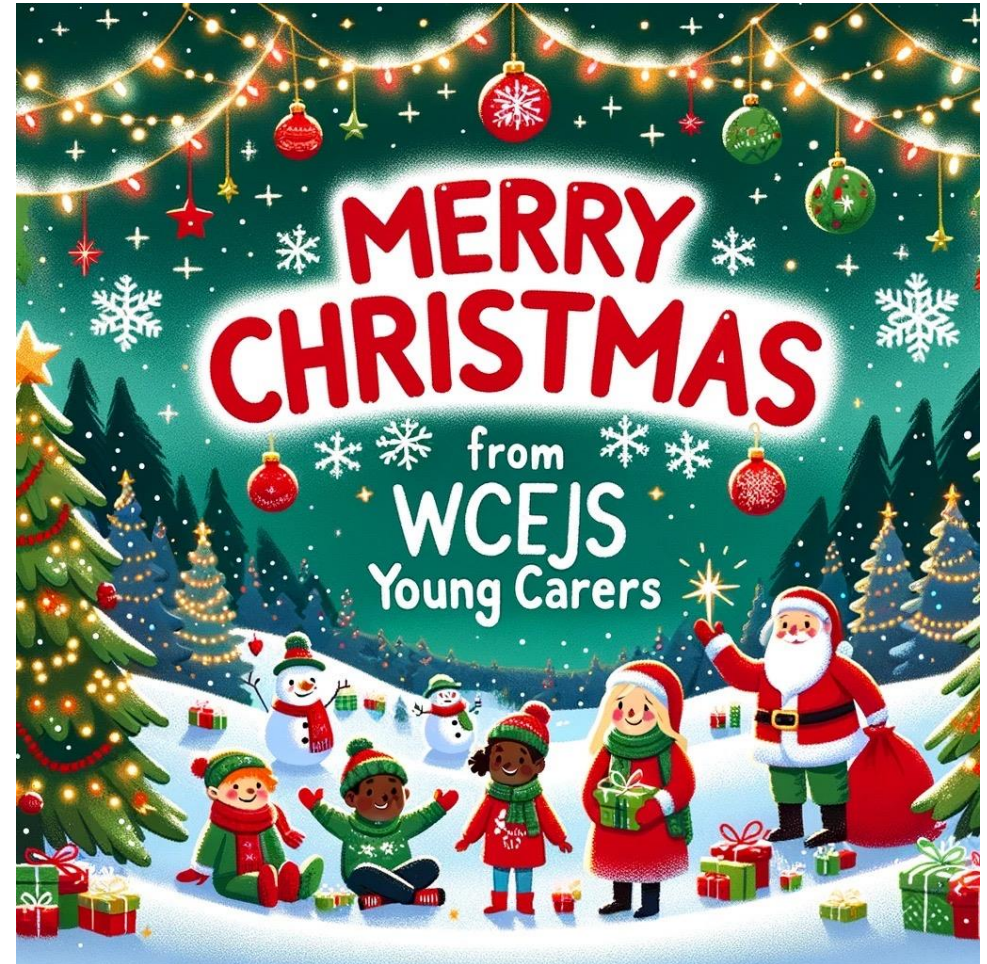
It is most important that these images are not shared on social media or on the internet without the consent of all those in the images and the permission of their parents.

We stress to children that they should not record anyone without consent.



Young Carers

Sending warm wishes to all of our young carers and their families for a Merry Christmas. May the break bring you moments of rest, love and shared happiness!



Dates for the Diary

Christmas Service	Monday 18 th December	St Mary's Church Y3/Y4 9:45am Y5/Y6 10:30am
Christmas jumper day	Tuesday 19 th December	
Last day of Autumn Term	Tuesday 19 th December	Finish at 13:15
Deadline for booking school meals	Wednesday 27 th December	https://www.myculinera.co.uk/wendoverjunior
First day of Spring Term	Thursday 4 th January	8:40am
Year 5 swimming	Tuesday 16 th January – Tuesday 26 th March	consent on parentpay by 8 th January
PTA school disco	Friday 26 th January	

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

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General Inquiries: Martyn

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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...

Just a reminder that Tuesday 19th December is the last day of school, with school finishing at 1:15pm. You can still book your child/children onto our wraparound for Tuesday 19th December, no extra cost will be applicable, just the usual afternoon rate.

Monday: Enrichment and Wellness

 Breakfast: Pool, Table Tennis, Board Games, Quiet Room, Air Hockey, Lego & Colouring.

 Afternoon Main Session: make a Christmas card

Tuesday: Enrichment and wellness

 Breakfast: Pool, Table Tennis, Board Games, Quiet Room, Air Hockey, Lego & Colouring.

 Afternoon Main Session- Christmas Party, music and party food

Don't forget to book your wraparound sessions for January. We'll be back on Thursday 4th January.

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



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

Brass please email 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.