



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)

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Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Dates for your diary

| Activity | Dates | Action for Parents |
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| Half term | 15 th February – 23 rd February | School closed |
| Inset Day | 24 th February | School closed |
| PTA Bag2School collection | 28 th February | Clothes donations |
| World Book Day | 7 th March | More information in this newsletter |
| Year 6 Activity Week Meeting | 10 th March | 3:45pm information meeting |
| Year 4 Cuffley Active Learning Centre | 17 th March | Consent and pay via ParentPay |
| Year 3 Celtic Harmony trip | 25 th March | Consent and pay via ParentPay |
| PTA Easter Bake Sale | 31 st March | |

Letters / documents sent this week

| Letter/Email | Action |
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| Governor recruitment | Register your interest |
| Reminder to book school lunches | Book on ParentPay for 25 th Feb to 4 th April |
| Year 4 trip - volunteers | |
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Weekly Reflection

Our focus this week has been antibullying. This very much builds on the work that children have recently done on community.

We looked at again at what bullying is – targeted and repeated behaviour that harms others – and the different forms that it can take.

Reflection time has been spent think about how we can all stand up to bullying – being a good ‘upstander.’



Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Year 3 have written persuasive holiday brochures encouraging people to visit Stonehenge.

We have considered why Stonehenge was created

Children completed a rock investigation this week in Science - testing various rocks in different ways to help them decide which would be best to build a garden wall.

Year 4

Year 4 children have worked hard in maths to understand perimeter and work out missing lengths in both regular and irregular polygons. They have also reflected on how great learning behaviour improves the class community. The year 4 teachers would like to wish all the children and their families a restful half term break.

Year 5

Year 5 finished their Spanish unit on the weather. They can now discuss the weather, and present to their group, the forecast for the upcoming week. Let's hope that the weather for the half term holds plenty of sol and not too much lloviendo!

Year 6

Another half term done! Well-done to everyone in Year 6 who has worked so hard to move forward towards their goals. This week we have been getting our teeth into non-chronological information texts and some of the writing has been extraordinary. Have a good half term break.

Uniform Reminder

Please support the school by ensuring your child has the correct uniform. Half-term is a good chance to check uniform and replace items.

Children should be wearing:

General Uniform: Grey trousers, shorts, or skirt (not black); white polo shirt; and a red jumper or cardigan.

Footwear: Black shoes (no boots or trainers).

Jewellery: Only a watch and one simple stud earring per ear are allowed (these need to be removed for PE).

Hair: Long hair should be tied back and kept off the face.

Please make sure all items are named. If there are special reasons why your child can't wear the uniform, email the school office. You can find our full uniform policy on the school website: [Uniform Policy](#).

World Book Day

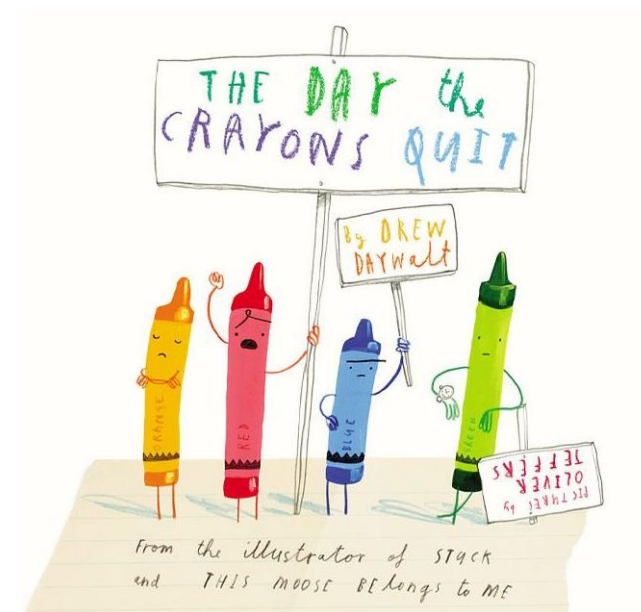
We are celebrating World Book day on Friday 7th March 2025! As we value reading very highly, it would be wonderful for all of us to take part in this special day to celebrate the joys of reading. During the day, the children will take part in a range of different reading-related activities, including reading to children from John Hampden School.

Favourite Book Character Costumes

We are asking for the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on World Book Day. Prizes will go for the most creative costume. **Please do not go to any great expense to provide a costume.** Many costumes can be made from things you already have with creative accessories! For example, children can simply dress up in their favourite colour and this will represent one of the crayon characters from 'The day the Crayons quit' by Oliver Jeffers.

Book tokens:

We have, once again, been fortunate to receive a £1 book token for every child in the school to spend on a new book! These will be given out on World Book Day, so keep an eye out in your child's bag.



Eco News

Congratulations to Matty and Phoebe in Year 5, who have been elected as our new Eco Captains! They'll be leading our Eco Team in making our school a greener place.



We are still on the lookout for ways to recycle old pens. If you know of any local schemes or services that can help, please send your suggestions to the school office email, marked for Mrs. Simpson's attention.



Our battery recycling is up and running – used batteries can be dropped off at school for safe recycling!



Plus our soft plastics collection is in place for the children to use in school!

Thank you for supporting our eco efforts!



Art Competition

Willa and Emily in Y5 have launched an art competition for half-term and the week after. The artwork can be anything to do with 'music'.

There have already been a number of pieces submitted this week. Prizes for the top three entries will be awarded after half-term.



PTA News



Our next Bag2School collection
has been arranged for

28th February 2025

Any questions – please ask your school
collection organiser WCEJS PTA



Wendover Church of England Junior School PTA's

Easter Bake Sale

MONDAY 31st MARCH

**FUN PRIZE FOR THE
BEST EASTER BAKE
IN EACH YEAR
GROUP**

Have fun
creating amazing
Easter themed bakes
(NO nuts please)!

Please bring in your
baked goods to reception
Monday morning, labelled with
your name and class.

All bakes will
be displayed for
sale under the Gazebo
after school, so please
remember to bring CASH
and card with you!!



Congratulations!

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE
WHO ATTENDED OUR
TRAVELLING BOOK FAIR.**

Together we have raised.....**£998**
for our school to spend on **FREE BOOKS**



 **TRAVELLING BOOKS**

Fancy learning a musical instrument?

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.

Did you know we offer:

Drums/Bass/Electric Guitar (Pippa Beckford)

Piano/Keyboard (Michele Beckford)

Brass (Steve Kitchen)

Strings (Gareth Hart)

Classical Guitar



As music lessons are very popular some instruments become oversubscribed quickly but students can be added to a waiting list and offered a place as soon as one becomes available. Please contact the instrumental teacher directly via the email addresses below for further information.

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

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: Daniel

Email: dbell@premier-education.com

Phone: 01296 620 097

General Inquiries: Martyn

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