

Wendover Church of England Junior School

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Collective Worship

Over the last two weeks, we have been thinking about the environment as well as taking responsibility for difficult tasks. Noah and the Ark was taken as our first story. Archie, Jay and Daniel from Y6 built on this theme as they led the key stage assemblies, informing us about the amount of plastic that pollutes our oceans and the possible need for another Ark. Our second story was Jonah and Whale. We used this story to remind ourselves that God will only give us challenges that he knows we can accomplish and that taking time out to reflect is often a good thing.

End of Building Works – Celebration Event!

We are delighted that our expansion works are finally coming to an end and we will be taking possession of our newly refurbished rooms next week. Year 3 will move into their new home in South End on Monday 12 November.

To mark the end of the project, we would like to invite you to attend an open afternoon on **Friday 16 November from 2.15-3.15pm**. You will be able to join your child in their classroom for some fun activities, followed by our 'official opening ceremony' at 2.45pm. You will then be free to tour the school and see all the new areas as well as partake in refreshments (thank you PTA!). There will also be a display of the Growth Mindset artwork from our recent competition.



We hope many of you will be able to come along and help us celebrate; please RSVP by email, phone or in person at the school office by Monday 12 November to allow us to cater for the correct numbers.

Healthy Eating

Thank you to everyone who has supported us in ensuring that their child brings fruit in as a mid-morning snack. We are encouraging children to eat all of their lunch – hot meal or packed. Children who bring packed lunches have been told to take home any uneaten food or wrappers in order that parents may monitor what is eaten.

Inter-House Cross Country

Well done to everyone for completing the course on a chilly Tuesday afternoon this week. Special thanks must go to the Y6 Sports Leaders who led the warm-up activities and scoring, and to Mrs Beale and Miss Stewart for organising the event.

After School Activities

Now that the evenings are getting darker, for safeguarding purposes we expect every child to be collected by an adult from the school gate at 4.30pm when they have attended an activity. Thank you for your support.

Poppy Appeal

As usual we will be selling poppies in school for the children to buy (suggested donation 50p). To mark this year's WW1 centenary, we also have a range of poppy-themed stationery items to sell (suggested donation 50p to £1). Our Y6 prefects will bring the poppies and stationery round to classes every day next week.

AiP Christmas Lunch

On Monday 17 December AiP will be providing a Christmas lunch and the children are invited to wear Christmas-themed MUFTI to school. They will also take part in a range of seasonal activities throughout the day. If your child would like a hot meal, please visit ParentPay to place your order. The menu is shown below and costs £3 per child (vegetarian and Halal options available). NB Any orders already placed for 17 December have been deleted by AiP so please ensure you login to re-book if your child wants a Christmas lunch.

Charity Cake Sale

Well done to Ania, Chloe and Poppy from 6J who raised £98.40 for Blue Cross with their cake sale this week.

Health & Safety – PE Lessons

Just a reminder that children must be able to remove earrings for PE lessons. If they need adult assistance, then please ensure they don't wear earrings to school on PE days.

Christmas Decorations

Wendover Parish Council has invited the children to create weather-proof Christmas decorations for the village tree on Manor Waste. The competition was announced in the last assembly before half term and we've had some entries already. All decorations must be handed to your child's class teacher by Friday 16 November. House points will be awarded for every entry received by the cut-off date.

Letters Sent Home Since the Last Newsletter

Hindu temple visit (Y4 only)

Netball match 5/11 (teams only)

Parents' Evening information (whole school by email)

Reminders

Y6 Hazard Alley trip – consent/donation via ParentPay **by Monday 5/11 latest**

Diary Dates

3 November	Cross country at Turnfurlong Junior School
7&9 November	Y6 to Hazard Alley
8 November	Y6 to St Mary's Church (related to WW1 topic)
15 November	6W class assembly, 9am
16 November	Celebration event – open afternoon, 2.15-3.15pm
20 November	Y2 tours, 2pm & 2.30pm
21&22 November	Parent/teacher consultation meetings, 4-7pm
21&22 November	Book fair, 3.45-5pm
22 November	6J class assembly
23 November	Y2 tours, 2pm & 2.30pm
27 November	Y2 tours, 2pm & 2.30pm
29 November	6S class assembly
30 November	Y4 RE trip
6 December	PTA Christmas Crafts, 3.30-5.30pm
7 December	INSET day – school closed for children
12 December	Y3 nativity, 2pm
13 December	Y3 nativity, 6pm
17 December	Christmas MUFTI day/AiP Christmas lunch
18 December	Christmas carol services, St Mary's, 10am (Y3/4) & 11am (Y5/6)
19 December	School closes at 1.15pm for Christmas holidays
2 January	INSET day – school closed for children
3 January	Children return to school at 8.40am

PTA NEWS

Children's Film & Pizza Night

A great night had by all and we raised over £500 for the school.



Foreign Currency Collection

Thank you for the 15 kilos of change you donated – we'll update you when we know what this equates to in £.

Christmas Cards

We're sorry that some children didn't bring home their template; it's the first year we have tried this so there are some learnings for next year. Proofs and order forms will be out soon.



Family Christmas Crafts – Friday 30 November, 3.30–5.30pm

Come and enjoy some hot chocolate and mince pies straight after school whilst working your way around a number of craft stalls creating Christmas presents & decorations with your child. More details to follow. Please let us know if you would be willing to help out with a stall.

Thank You

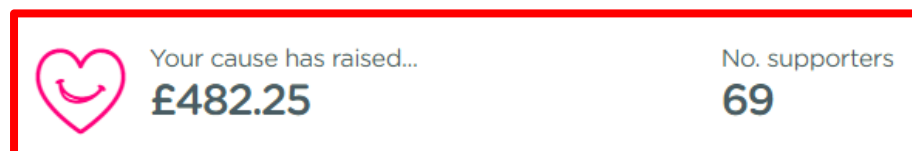
Thank you for your support over the past year – this has enabled us to buy cameras and visualisers for the classrooms and replace worn out items on the adventure trail.

Save the Date

- Friday 30 Nov – Family Christmas crafts evening (straight from school)
- Thursday 31 Jan – Children's bingo (straight from school)
- Friday 15 March – Adult race night
- Saturday 29 June – Strawberry Fayre

Easyfundraising

In the last 30 days our cause has raised **£3.96** and lost **1 supporter**. Our target is £2,000 and 200 supporters (half the families and staff). Sign up for **free** at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/>



FREE ENTRY

THANK YOU
to the World War I generation

SUNDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2018
1pm to 4pm

The Gateway, Aylesbury HP19 8FF

Family friendly event featuring:

WORLD WAR I EXHIBITIONS & STALLS
AFTERNOON TEAS
WARTIME RATION LUNCHES
LIVE MUSIC
WORLD WAR I POETRY READINGS

For more information and to book your free tickets visit:
www.bucksc.gov.uk/wwi-event

Alternatively tickets can be collected from:

- Royal British Legion Pop In, High Street, Aylesbury
- Main Reception, AVDC Offices, The Gateway, Aylesbury



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Roast Turkey with Chipolatas
or
Halal Roast Turkey with Halal Chicken Chipolatas
or
Roasted Vegetable Roulade

Served with
Roast Potatoes, Stuffing Balls, Carrots, Peas, and Gravy

Followed by
Christmas Biscuit and Ice Cream

Includes Chocolate Coins and Christmas Cracker

★ £3.00



Monday 17th
December



Coming up for children and families at St Mary's over the next few weeks...

November 4th – Ignite. Ignite will be getting stuck into some drama-based activities with the wonderful Tess Edwards.

November 11th – All Age Remembrance Sunday Service. St Mary's will be commemorating the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War with a very special All Age Remembrance Sunday service at 10am.

November 18th – Ignite. Matt Ryan will be leading a Jenga-based activity.

November 25th – Explore. Our Surge youth group will be leading a fun-packed Explore service focused on the festival of Christ the King.

Ignite is our new Sunday morning activity for children aged under 11, taking place during our 10.30am services on the first and third Sunday of every month. We all join in the first part of the service and children usually leave for Ignite after the first song. Parents are welcome to stay in the service or to join in what we're doing in Ignite.

Explore is our (very relaxed!) monthly All Age service, aimed particularly at children and families. We start with some great worship songs and a look at our theme for the day and then break out to explore different learning zones, where you can listen or chat, get busy or spend time in quiet reflection. Whatever suits you that morning! Explore is a great place to come if you and your family are looking to dip a toe back into church or to come along for the first time...

Amazing Donkey is our Friday evening youth club for years 6, 7 and 8, which meets during term time at Wendover Youth Centre from 7-9pm. Activities over the coming weeks include swimming (Oct 12th), bowling (Oct 19th) and a craft evening (Nov 2nd). Please note that there is no Amazing Donkey in half-term week.

For more information on any of these activities, please contact us at info@stmaryswendover.org.uk or call 01296 623123. Or just coming along on a Friday evening at 7pm or Sunday morning at 10.30am. We'd love to see you there!



Christmas Gift Fair

11 – 3pm 10th November 2018

A beautiful selection of gifts including Christmas decorations, jewellery, food, homeware and more...

The Gateway Conference Centre, Aylesbury, HP19 8FF

FREE PARKING

Entrance £3 / Concessions £1.50



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Aylesbury Music Centre
OPEN DAY
Fantastic opportunities to perform throughout the year.
MUSIC for munchkins for all kids aged 4-6
COME AND JOIN THE BUZZ! SATURDAY NOV 3RD
BUSKING All welcome
BRING A FRIEND
TWO FREE CONCERTS 10.15 & 12.45
9 - 10:30 **SENIOR SYMPHONY**
Open to all instrumentalists grade 4/5+
10:45 - 11:15 **BIG SING**
Open to all players and their parents!
11:30 - 1 **JUNIOR JAM**
Open to all instrumentalists up to Grade 4/5
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