



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

Continuing to explore our theme of community, we have thought more about how the behaviour of a few can affect the lives of many.

Weekly reflection helped us to think about the small changes we can make to help improve injustice, inequality, poverty and the world's energy crisis.



Year Group Highlights

Year 3 All the children planted sunflower seeds this week - we will be making Wendover smile with sunflowers very soon!

Children thought carefully about how Jesus showed authority in the story of 'The Paralysed Man' in RE this week.

Year 4 have shown great understanding of quavers in music and how to play these notes on a glockenspiel. They have also enjoyed discussing plastic pollution and the effects on the environment in English.

Year 5 learned about the life cycle of amphibians this week. They were able to use scientific language when detailing the life cycle of a frog in their Science books. Some pupils even drew diagrams to accompany their explanations. They were also able to compare the life cycle of amphibians with the life cycle of insects, and identify the similarities and differences.

Year 6 have been very resilient and worked hard this week; we are very proud of them. They thoroughly enjoyed their 'Zentangle' art project and 'Out The Box' activities. In addition, it was fantastic to see so many audition for our production this morning and to see them enjoying their SATs party this afternoon. A busy, brilliant week!

Weekly House Point totals



730 points

610 points



550 points



490 points



Online Safety & Cyberbullying Awareness Course for Parents and Carers

The online world is continually evolving, so it can be challenging for parents trying to keep up with new developments and trends. Keeping our children safe online becomes increasingly difficult to monitor with access to the internet using computers, phones, tablets & gaming consoles.

To support families with online safety, we have organised an Online Safety & Cyberbullying Awareness Course for parents and carers on **Tuesday 11th June 2024** from **7.00-8.30pm**. This will cover a range of topics including cyberbullying, potential online risks and harmful content, fake news and privacy settings.

For more information about the course, please read the attached leaflet "Online Safety Workshop for parents & carers" or visit the Kidscape website. <https://www.kidscape.org.uk/training/online-safety-and-cyberbullying-awareness-for-parents-and-carers/>

To book your place on this course, please complete the Forms booking form by clicking on the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/cSiy2scyMv>

Spaces are limited to 150 people, so please book early to avoid disappointment. The link to join the session will be sent out via email nearer the time.

Mrs West
Computing Lead



"The parent talk was exceptional. Often talks about the internet can focus on the dangers and as parent it is terrifying. I learnt there is so much more I can do at home. Having open conversations and learning from your kids really stayed with me."

"I thought the training was absolutely brilliant. I found it so informative and easy to digest."

Young Carers News

We are excited to announce that our Young Carers and Service children groups have organised a fun run event to take place in school on **Friday 24th May**.

The chosen charity for this event is Cash for Kids, a charity which helps to improve the lives of young people who are affected by poverty, illness and neglect. More details of the charity can be found [here](#)

We are asking for a minimum donation of £1 per child to be brought into school to help us with our fundraising.

All children are invited to come to school in their PE kits on this day.

Wendover Junior School are having a whole school event in aid of



cashforkids

A charity whose mission is to improve the lives of children and young people in our community affected by poverty, illness and neglect.

Friday 24th May



Come to school in your PE kit !

Minimum donation of

£ 1.00

to be collected on the days

Run by the Young Carers & RAF children



Community Event

Some of our year 4 students are spreading joy throughout our community by promoting the local sunflower campaign “Make Wendover Smile”

On Saturday 18th May on Manor Waste from 10am to 2pm the children will be helping out on the sunflower stall and distributed seeds to the community, please pop along to get yours!

We would also like to say thank you to Leigh at Wendover Parish Council for the donation of sunflower seeds which we are very excited to plant around the school.

SHARE PHOTOS OF YOUR SUNFLOWERS WITH US:
@welcometowendover

BRING JOY TO THE VILLAGE
CREATE COMMUNITY SPIRIT

MAKE WENDOVER SMILE!

HELP US COVER THE VILLAGE IN SUNFLOWERS

SOWING TIME: MID-APRIL TO END OF MAY
FLOWERING TIME: JULY THROUGH TO SEPTEMBER
WITH PEAK BEING AUGUST

GET YOUR FREE PACK OF SUNFLOWER SEEDS AT PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES IN WENDOVER DISPLAYING THE SIGN:
"MAKE WENDOVER SMILE SUNFLOWER SEEDS AVAILABLE HERE"

For more information and planting instructions visit:
www.wendover-pc.gov.uk/make-wendover-smile

Make Wendover Smile with: -

- Painted sunflowers
 - knitted sunflowers
 - Beaded sunflowers
 - printed sunflowers
 - Drawings of sunflowers
 - Stamped sunflowers
 - Crochet sunflowers
 - Flower arrange sunflowers
 - Iced sunflowers on your cakes!
- Let your imagination go wild and share your photos
- www.WelcometoWendover.co.uk

PTA News

Date for the diary

What: **PTA meet up**

When: **Tuesday 4th June at 8:00pm**

Where: **The Shoulder of Mutton**



Wendover Junior School PTA needs => **YOU**

- 1. YOUR CHILDREN BENEFIT**
 Participating in your child's school and showing engagement helps children perform better
- 2. THE SCHOOL BENEFITS**
The PTA shows support for the school, teachers and admin team which nurtures the positive school atmosphere
- 3. YOU MAKE CONNECTIONS**
You get to know the teachers and staff better and make friends with other school parents
- 4. IT'S GOOD FOR YOU**
You feel good - it's fun and rewarding 



We are a friendly bunch of parents who meet about once a term (usually in The Shoulder of Mutton). Some of our team have kids in Year 6 and will therefore be moving on to new schools in the Summer...**could you join us and get to know the ropes?** No special skills needed, just enthusiasm! Input can be as much or as little as you can give.

We'd particularly love to hear from anyone who could be our new treasurer - this is a great role for someone to do when and where they like without commitment to events (Key Stage 2 maths is fine!!)

For more information wendoverjuniorpta@gmail.com or admin@WendoverJunior.co.uk FAO Mrs. Brister

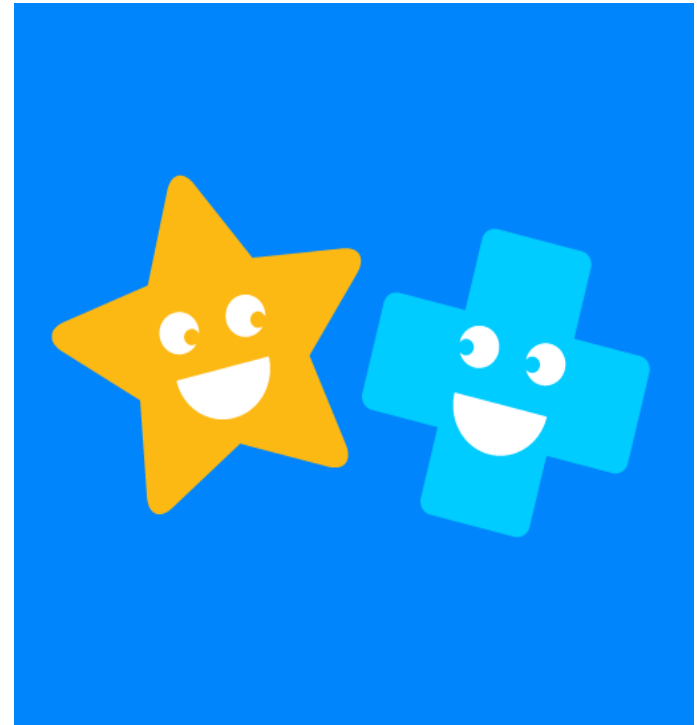
Dates for the Diary

3J Class Assembly	Tuesday 21 st May	9am in the school hall
3W Class Assembly	Wednesday 22 nd May	9am in the school hall
3S Class Assembly	Thursday 23 rd May	9am in the school hall
WJS Fun Run	Friday 24 th May	Children to wear PE kit £1 donation
May half term	Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May	
Inset Day	Monday 3 rd June	
Y4 River and Rowing Museum	Tuesday 11 th June Wednesday 12 th June	
Class photos (all years)	Friday 14 th June	
Y5 Ashmolean Museum	Wednesday 19 th June	
Sports Day	Friday 21 st June	
Y6 Activity Week	Monday 24 th June – Friday 28 th June	

Doodle maths

As you know, we have provided online maths learning since September. The expectation is that all children complete up to 30 minutes of doodlemaths each week as extended learning (homework). This increases confidence and fluency, as well as giving them opportunities to develop good attitudes towards independent study.

We monitor time spent on doodlemaths each week. Whilst the whole school progress is good, some children are not engaging. Every child is expected to complete a minimum of 20 minutes per week – they can access doodlemaths through most devices. We provide additional support in school for anyone who has not engaged, allowing them to make up their time.



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

Email: office-11@premier-education.com

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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.

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

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.