



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
Year 4 Swimming Sessions	29 th April	Info sent separately
4W Class Assembly	29 th April	9am in the school hall
4S Class Assembly	30 th April	9am in the school hall
4J Class Assembly	1 st May	9am in the school hall
Bank Holiday	5 th May	School Closed
3W Class Assembly	20 th May	9am in the school hall
3J Class Assembly	21 st May	9am in the school hall
3S Class Assembly	22 nd May	9am in the school hall
May half term	26 th May – 30 th May	School closed
Inset Day	2 nd June	School closed

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action

Ofsted Update

We welcomed David Radomsky HMI into school this week. He had a very busy time: he visited lessons, talked with children and observed social times; he scrutinised children's work, school documents and external reports; he asked many questions to governors, leaders and staff; he considered pupil, parent and staff surveys; he met with representatives from the local authority and the diocese.

David was really impressed with our children - they are a credit to the school community. I would like to thank all the staff for their continued hard work and commitment and parents for their support. We will share the final Ofsted report with parents as soon as we are allowed.

Weekly Reflection

It is a new term and we have a new focus. This half-term, the school council and worship leads will be working with their classes to explore the theme **coping**. We will think about different strategies we can use to help us at difficult times, including prayer / meditation / quiet contemplation.

COPING
STRATEGIES

Reading Plus

After careful consideration, we will not be continuing with Reading Plus after Easter. Parent feedback about the provision has been mixed - a number of parents have expressed their concern about increased screen time / reading from devices rather than books. We will continue to use Doodlemaths as part of the extended learning provision.

We will continue to promote reading for pleasure in school, ensuring that children have regular access to the school library. The reading record is an important document: please encourage your child to complete this and monitor the record each week.

Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Year 3 are incredibly excited to welcome 5 ducklings today after they successfully (and finally!) hatched on Thursday night.

Children have enjoyed the start of our new text in English - a diary of a young Roman slave.

Children enjoyed working with Roman numerals in maths earlier this week.

Year 4

The Year 4 children have shown great creativity and imagination in designing chocolates and magical sweets for their version of Charlie and the Chocolate factory in English. They have also demonstrated resilience when solving problems involving decimals.

Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed their visit to Waddesdon Manor to conclude their learning about the Victorian Era. They had a tour of some of the magnificent parts of the house, handled delicate porcelain, and learned what the different servants in a Victorian household's roles entailed.

Year 6

Year 6 have had a strong return after the Easter break, with everyone settling down to a good work routine. We especially enjoyed being outside on Tuesday, researching local plants and animals for a field guide.

Year 3 News

Our Eggs So Far...

On Tuesday 22nd April, we received a special hatching kit from Incredible Eggs.

Now, on Day 4, we're thrilled to announce that all of our ducklings have hatched! It's been a great experience watching the eggs so carefully and then seeing new life emerge right before our eyes.

We now get to enjoy a whole week with them before they are collected—plenty of time for cuddles, photos and watching them grow each day!

Here are some adorable photos of our fluffy new friends:



School Uniform

If your child wear earrings to school, please ensure that they are simple studs. Hooped or dangling earrings are not considered safe for the school environment.

We will continue to make checks on uniform and remind children and parents as required.

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

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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.

Free parenting programmes and resources

If you are interested please click on the below:

<https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/advice-and-support/parenting/free-parenting-courses/>