# **Wendover Church of England Junior School**

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#### **Collective Worship**

The story of Joseph has been explored recently with children being encouraged to see the importance of resilience in achieving their dreams. Joseph faced many setbacks in his life and yet grew to be a great leader. We have also reflected, thinking of the countless many who made the ultimate sacrifice in order that we may live in freedom today. Monday's Remembrance Service was a chance for us to better understand the work that the Royal British Legion does and to commemorate our past pupils who gave their lives. As we approach Advent, we also thought about the many similarities shared by different cultures and religions through our Diwali assembly.

# **End of Building Works – Celebration Event!**

It was wonderful to see so many people attending our opening ceremony this afternoon. The new buildings and facilities are fantastic and children have greatly enjoyed today's special activities – representing the 4Rs in fairy cakes and creating our whole school artwork project. They say that Rome wasn't built in a day and our expansion works have certainly not happened





overnight. We would like to thank everyone - children, staff and parents - for all of their support and resilience during the build. Also to the members of the consultancy team who designed our wonderful new building. But mostly we would like to thank Catriona Martin, our School Business Manager, for all of her tireless work through the planning and building of our beautiful new school. Please see our website for more photos from the day.

## **After School Activities**

Just a reminder that most after school activities will not be running next week due to parents' evenings:

On as normal: street dance, cross country, karate

Cancelled: football, tag rugby, netball, dodgeball, cheerleading

#### **Children in Need**

Well done to Eva M in Y5 and Lexi E in Y3 who helped run a cake sale in their street to support Children in Need - over £240 raised so far!

#### **Letters Sent Home Since the Last Newsletter**

Netball matches (teams only) Bucks writing competition (whole school)

#### Reminders

Y4 RE trip – consent/donation via ParentPay by today please (parent helpers will be confirmed by email early next week)

Y6 residential trip – deposits were due by Friday 19/10; first instalment of £80 is due by Friday 14/12

## **Diary Dates**

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

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30 November Y4 RE trip



30 November 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 at 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**

# **Christmas cards**

Thank you for all your orders – there have been some fantastic designs. Closing date for orders is today Friday 16 November. We'll let you know when to look in the book bags for the delivery.



## 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. Please book online via ParentPay and donate a pre-loved item for the 'Wrap a Present' stall. Numbers are limited to 100 so please book early. Please contact us via the school office if you're willing to help out with a stall/refreshments.

#### 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**

Before you start Christmas shopping please sign up to Easyfundraising. It costs you nothing but raises the money for the school. In the last 30 days our cause has raised £13.18 and gained 1 new supporter. Our target is £2,000 and 200 supporters (half the families and staff).

Sign up for free - go to <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/</a>

