Wendover CE Junior School Newsletter: 14.01.2022



We aim to be the school of choice for our community. 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

COVID Update

Please make good use of LFD tests if you are able to obtain them – from <u>Tuesday 11 January</u> it has not be necessary to confirm a positive LFD test with a PCR. Please register the positive LFD test as you normally would and advise the school.

Our enhanced protocols continue to be used in order to reduce the risk of infection. Children should be attending school unless they are symptomatic or have tested positive. Remote learning continues to be provided on eSchools.

Dates for your Diary

Date and Time	Event
Tuesday 25 th January	Anglo Saxon workshop for Year 4 -please remember to make your voluntary contribution via ParentPay. It is only with your support these activities can go ahead.
Friday 28 th February – 3.40 pm	Year 4 Residential Trip Presentation to parents. We ask all parents to carry out a lateral flow test before they come in to school and wear a mask before entering. 2 adults per child welcome.
Thursday 27 th January Thursday 3 rd February Friday 11 th February 9.00 am – 9.30 am	 5W Class Assembly 5J Class Assembly 5S Class Assembly We ask all parents to carry out a lateral flow test before they come in to school and wear a mask before entering. 2 adults per child welcome.
Thursday 10 th February	Roman Day for Year 3 – letters sent out today and payments to be made via ParentPay
Monday 21 st – Tuesday 22 nd March	Year 4 residential trip to Woodrow High House – 1 night stay
Monday 20 th – Friday 24 th June	Year 6 residential trip to Llain Activity Centre, Wales.

This Week's Highlights

Year 3 have enjoyed making mood boards in art.

Year 4 have enjoyed learning about Beowulf and optical illusions in art.

Year 5 have produced some amazing personificiation poems.

Year 6 have found learning about the causes of WW1 interesting.

Staff Update

 We are delighted to announce the return of Mrs Stanley from her maternity leave from Monday 24th January. She will resume her role as Year 4 Lead and Class Teacher for 4W.

• Thank you to Mr Blaker for teaching 4W and for leading Year 4 thus far this year. Mr Blaker will continue to provide support for Year 4 in the short term.

On Campus Traffic

- We continually try to reduce the amount of vehicles on campus, in order to prevent the likelihood of accidents and to encourage a healthy lifestyle.
- A significant number of parents continue to drive onto campus without authorisation and without any genuine reason to do so.
- No-one should drive onto campus without authorisation from the school office between 0800 and 1600. Doing so heightens the risk of an accident.
- We are working with other organisations on campus to reduce unauthorised traffic.

Road Safety

- Please remind children that they must use the pathways and appropriate crossing places on their way to and from school, including on campus.
- Parents must set a good example by using the one-way system in place for drop off and pick up – a significant number have been observed leading their child across the car park and down the centre of the road instead of using pathways.
- Children who scoot or cycle to school must be mindful of pedestrians. They must walk their scooter/cycle on pathways whenever there are pedestrians. Failure to do so may result in them not being allowed to bring their cycle/scooter onto campus.

School Uniform

We are seeing a growing number of children who are not wearing the correct uniform. The following is provided to help you support your child:

- Boots or trainers should not be worn unless permission has been given, ie for a medical reason (please email the school office)
- Leggings are not part of our uniform thick tights or trousers should be worn in cold weather
- Shorts/skirts must be of appropriate length covering most of the upper leg
- Trousers/skirts/shorts should not be tight fitting they should be uniform style not a fashion fit.

Calling all green fingered parents

- We have an exciting garden project starting this year and we would welcome input from parents who may have landscaping or gardening skills they could share with us to guide us.
- Please contact the school office if you are interested in joining our working party.
- We would also appreciate donations of wildflower seeds, large tubs, shingle, compost or gardening equipment.

Walking with You Parent Support Group

The next Walking With You parent support group meeting will take place on Friday 28th January 10-11.30 am and the topic for the session is Parental Communication. Meetings are currently ran via Microsoft Teams which are not recorded.

If you would like to join their meeting or require further information about the Walking With You parent support group, please contact: <u>Roxana.uritescu@barnardo's.org.uk</u>

Attachments with further information attached with this week's Newsletter.

Term Date Reminders

- We have a Training Day on Friday 18th February leading into half term. The last day of term will be <u>Thursday 17th</u> <u>February</u> normal finish time (<u>3.30 pm</u>)
- Due to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in 2022, we have 1 extra training day which will be on Thursday 21st July. <u>The last day of term will be Wednesday 20th July</u>.