



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)

Newsletter 31.01.25

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Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Dates for your diary

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
Parent Consultations	5 th and 6 th February	Booking portal closes today (31 Jan)
Half term	15 th February – 23 rd February	School closed
Inset Day	24 th February	School closed
PTA Bag2School collection	28 th February	Clothes donations
Year 6 Activity Week Meeting	10 th March	3:45pm information meeting
Year 4 Outdoor Ed Experience	17 th March	Awaiting trip updates
Year 3 Celtic Harmony trip	25 th March	Consent and pay via ParentPay
PTA Easter Bake Sale	31 st March	

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action
Book Fair	Read for dates and purchasing information
5W online parent consultations	Read for changes
Year 6 Leavers Hoodies	Read for colour/print options

Weekly Reflection

Our theme of belonging continued this week. We have been thinking much more about community – particular the class community.

Last week, children identified areas that they wanted to improve. The most common areas were:

- Waiting your turn / sharing your thoughts when appropriate
- Listening carefully to what others are saying and disagreeing well
- Always being kind to each other / saying and doing kind things

This week has been all about what we need to do as individuals in order to bring a change within the whole class community.

Learning Walk

“As always coming into school to undertake a learning walk is a privilege, but it was particularly informative on Monday to see pupils being taught Spanish and music. While the topic was the same across all the classes within a year group, the lessons were individual, reflecting the teaching style of the teacher, the relationship they had with the class and the support or challenge needed by the pupils. The pupils were all eager to participate whether in the teacher led activities or in the group work that followed. Any one of them I spoke to was confident when talking to me, either to explain what they were doing or to ask for guidance. I hope you will get the opportunity this week to discuss these subjects with your child.”

Christine Lane

Co-opted Governor/Vice Chair

Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Year 3 children have used paints made from spices and flour to create paintings of animals. Children have enjoyed finding out about the historical settlement of Skara Brae in English lessons.

Year 4

The Year 4 children successfully completed their optical illusion pictures in art and are excited to show their parents next week. They have also reflected on what makes good learning behaviour and how they can improve the class community during lessons.

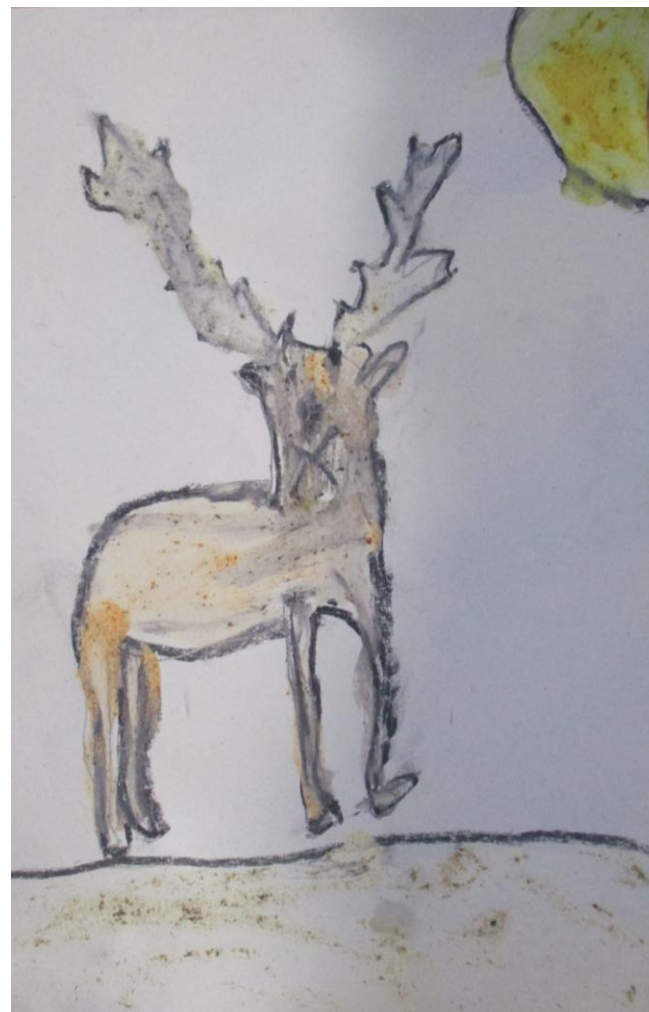
Year 5

Year 5 had a really informative History lesson this week. We compared school life in the Victorian era and school life today. The children were surprised at some of the facts, especially the sanctions they may have received if they misbehaved! We were happy that we could back in time to see what a Victorian classroom looked like, however we love how colourful and bright our classrooms are now! Year 5 are looking forward to next week, when we will learn even more about the Victorians.

Year 6

We have been impressed by the Journey Narrative writing we are seeing from the children this week and hope that enthusiasm continues into their independent writing.

Year 3 Artwork



Book Fair

We are pleased to tell you that the Travelling Book Fair is returning to our school this year. We will have a range of books on offer so please do come and browse the shelves. We appreciate your support, as the proceeds from the fair will help us to fund new books for the children. The fair will take place in the hall on the following days:

Tuesday 4 th February	3:30pm – 4pm
Wednesday 5 th February	4pm - 6pm
Thursday 6 th February	4pm – 6pm
Friday 7 th February	3:30pm – 4pm

Please see the attached letter for ordering and payment information.

We look forward to seeing you at the Book Fair.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Khan (English lead)

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

FREE BOOKS FOR YOUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU BUY AT THE BOOK FAIR!

A POP-UP BOOK-STORE WITH HUNDREDS OF BOOKS FROM JUST £2.99

My Bum is SO CHEEKY! ONLY £2.99 (original £6.99) Dawn McMillan, Illustrated by Ross Kinaird

GEORGE and the MINI DRAGON £6.99 George Webster, From CBeebies presenter George Webster, Illustrated by THE BLOOM

FINDING BEAR £7.99 Hannah Gold, Illustrated by Helen

DORK diaries Sister Showdown! Hardback only £7.99 (original £12.99)

BEASTIE BROS £6.99 A LAUGH OUT LOUD new illustrated series

DOG MAN Big Jim Begins Hardback only £9.99 (original £12.99) IN CINEMAS FEBRUARY 2025

Date:
Tuesday 4th February 3:30pm - 4pm
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Thursday 6th February 4pm - 6pm
Friday 7th February 3:30pm - 4pm

Scan the QR code to pay online!

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Request For A Parent's Involvement

A request from CAMHS Bucks:

ADHD pathway has been writing some guidance to help parents know what to look for when choosing to pay for a private autism or ADHD assessment. We want to develop this alongside a parent who has experience in this area. It will then be something that is made available on our website.

If you are a parent who has either had a private autism or ADHD assessment or looked into having a private assessment and would like to help develop the guidance with a CAMHS clinician, please let us know by the end of next week (7th of February) by emailing admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk

This is a first come first serve basis as they only need one parent.

PTA News



PTA New Year's Disco -

A big “Thank you” to the parent volunteers for their support at last night’s event, it is not possible for us to run these fun events without your support . The children had a fantastic evening and there was some amazing dancing!

We’re looking forward to our next event in March – our Easter Bake Competition and Bake Sale!! If you would like to register to help at any future events, please pass your details to the office and we would welcome your support where you can.

Next event:

Easter Bake Sale on Monday 31st March



Our next Bag2School collection
has been arranged for
28th February 2025

Any questions – please ask your school
collection organiser WCEJS PTA

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

General Inquiries: Martyn

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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.