

Wendover CE Junior School

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*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

Thanks to everyone's vigilance and cooperation, case numbers in school have remained extremely low and there has been only minimal disruption this term. We have been able to deliver a fun and exciting end to the term for children and invite parents into school once again.

We wish you a safe and enjoyable Christmas.

Please make sure that you closely monitor health in the days preceding the return to school on **5th January**. If unsure, LFD test and then book a PCR test. Please inform the school if your child has tested positive.

Dates for your Diary

Date and Time	Event
Tuesday 4th January Wednesday 5th January	Staff Training Day – SCHOOL CLOSED School re-opens, children return to school.
Tuesday 25th January	Anglo Saxon workshop for Year 4 (full details to be sent out first week in January).
Thursday 10th February	Roman Day for Year 3 – activities in the school hall (full details to be sent out in January).
Monday 21st – Tuesday 22nd March	Year 4 residential trip to Woodrow High House (letters to be sent out first week in January).

Collective Worship

The focus this week has been the four themes of the advent : Peace, Love, Hope and Joy.

We've been thinking about the gifts we might give or make for people and how a gift of Peace, Love, Hope or Joy might be very much appreciated at this special time of year.

A Visit from Santa

For anyone who missed it, we had a special visit from Santa last week, flying over in a helicopter! As you can imagine, this was very exciting for everyone.



Our Young Carers

Our young carers have been busy over the last few weeks decorating their Wishes Tree with thoughtful baubles. It has turned out beautifully with all the handprints.



This Week's Highlights

Year 3 children pulled off 'star quality' performances in their Nativity, to an audience of delighted parents.

Year 4 children thoroughly enjoyed the activities they did on their Christmas STEM Day, as well as working collaboratively to complete their Ancient Egyptian information booklets. They also enjoyed making some amazingly intricate, six-pointed paper snowflakes.

Year 5 held their annual Slam Poetry Competition which all the children enjoyed. Many thanks to the Year 6 judges - Evie Burton, Alex Harvey and Poppy Glanville.

Year 6 – enjoyed learning how to weave and printing their designs on their t-shirts as part of Mayan Day.

Uniform – all items to be named

On return to school, please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform:

- black school shoes (not boots)
- trousers / shorts should be school uniform, not a tight fitting fashion style
- school uniform skirts/dresses must be of modest length.
- Full PE kit including warm layers (sweatshirt and joggers).

Interhouse Competitions

We have had several interhouse competitions this half term and have attached the overall results for each year group.

Haddington and Boddington have dominated the top spots. Boddington won the Years 5 and 6 interhouse competitions, whilst Haddington came first for Years 3 and 4 plus the whole school Hoopball.

Q & A's

As part of improving communications, this regular page in the Newsletter aims to address non-urgent questions raised by parents during the week, rather than sending individual emails.

Question: When do pupils return to school?

Answer: **Wednesday 5th January**

Question: When do clubs restart?

Answer: w/c 10th January - Street Dance

w/c 17th January - Dodgeball and Gymnastics
(see attached flyer)

And finally...

**On behalf of the staff and
governors, thank you for
all of your support this
term.**

**Have a safe and enjoyable
Christmas.**

