

Wendover CE Junior School

Newsletter: 18.11.2022



*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)

Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Parental Engagement

As is the case nationally, attainment in writing has dipped as a result of covid. This week, teachers completed the first writing moderation session of the year – now that children have a good sample of writing in their books. Moderation helps us to make sure that teacher assessment is accurate. What is clear is that children often understand how to use punctuation and grammar, but they do not necessarily use it consistently in all of their writing. Children need to show evidence that they can write consistently well across genres (stories, description, explanation, persuasion, recounts etc); this includes using grammar and punctuation correctly and effectively. Writing is a whole school focus for this year.

As ever, leaders are out and about in school. Maths learning walks evidenced lots of hard work and high engagement with children having to think hard about the challenges they were presented with.

Gareth Kynaston - Headteacher

This week's Highlights

Year 3 children are enjoying their TT Rockstars inter-year challenge, showing high levels of engagement. They are also intrigued by Minty the Dragon who seems to be causing some mischief in Year 3!

Year 4 have enjoyed researching and writing on different topics ready for the production of an Ancient Egyptian booklet next week.

Year 5 children were very excited to visit the space dome and find out more about the universe.

Year 6 Well done to all the year 6 children who showcased their class assemblies to parents over the last few weeks.

House point totals: Red 1080 / Green 690 / Blue 1110 / Purple 990

Collective Worship

Respect has been the theme of the week. Linking to anti-bullying week we have thought about how our behaviour can affect others. We reflected on what bullying is and what it is not. Everyone agreed that, although rare, we do not want bullying in our school in any shape or form. Everyone has been encouraged to sign our antibullying charter which will be displayed in school.



WCEJS Model for Spiritual Growth

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who donated via the just giving page. We have managed to raise over £600 so far. Children really enjoyed their mufti day, finding out how the money raised is used to help others. Thank you to Mrs Simpson and the school council for organising this special day and for the cakes. To donate, click on the link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/wendover-ce-junior-school-wendover-1667825083020>



Film Night

Thank you to the PTA and staff for providing an enjoyable experience for the children – I am sure all the children appreciated it, not least the pizza!

If you would like to help out with any of the PTA activities then please contact them by emailing

wendoverjuniorpta@gmail.com

WCEJS Movie Night

MINIONS: THE RISE OF GRU

Pizza and popcorn deals available with tickets sales on parent pay

Bring your favourite cushion

Tickets will go on sale at 5pm Monday 7 November until Monday 14 November.

THURS 17TH NOV

3:30PM TO 6PM

BOOK YOUR TICKETS FROM 7TH TO 14TH NOV

WWW.PARENTPAY.COM

PLEASE REMIND YOUR CHILDREN THAT NO PHONES WILL BE ALLOWED. THANK YOU.



Cancer Research Sale

Well Done to Megan, Milly, Poppy,
Ella and Penny from year 4,
who have managed to raise **£92**
in aid of Cancer Research.



Christmas Decoration Competition

Well done to everyone who made a decoration for the Christmas tree in Wendover. They have been hanging on our tree in school and look fantastic. Decorations will be collected from school today. Mrs McHardy –Jones has kindly volunteered to take any late entries down to Wendover after school on Monday – a last chance for children to make a decoration over the weekend.

Best of luck for the competition!



Year 3 Nativity

An appeal from Mrs McHardy-Jones for large cardboard (fridge freezer / large screen TV size) that will be used for scenery.

If you are able, please bring this to the school office.



Family Support

Walking With You

This is a virtual, parent led support group for anyone supporting children and young people, up to the age of 25, experiencing mental health difficulties. See attached for further [INFO](#). For dates available and how to book see [FLYER](#)

Our Time

The charity supports children of parents with mental health difficulties, see further information [HERE](#)

Support for Families and Staff

The [Support and Resources for Schools and Families in Buckinghamshire](#) document has been updated with further contacts and links for finance and budgeting, health and wellbeing, food and cooking advice. Please share with staff, families, colleagues, friends and let us know of anything we have missed.

Dates for the Diary

Parent consultations:

Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 November 3.40 – 6.00pm (bookings go live 8am
Monday 21st November, see separate email for instructions)

Harrison Festive Lunch/Christmas Jumper Day:

Wednesday 7th December (school uniform with optional Christmas jumper or Christmas accessories)

Year 3 Nativity:

Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th December (details re booking to follow shortly)

Carol Service:

Monday 19th December at St Mary's Church (Y3&4 10 am, Y5&6 11am)

Premier Education Wraparound & Holiday Club

Wendover Wraparound Club operates as follows Monday to Friday each week:

Breakfast - 7:50am – 8:50am, £5.25 a morning

After School - 3:30pm – 6:00pm, £12.00 a session

Click here to book onto one of the wraparound services.

Click here for guidance on how to pay with childcare vouchers

*For any further questions please contact Premier's Wendover office on 01296 620097 Martyn –
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