



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 (Matthew 7:24)

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Dates for your diary

| Activity | Dates | Action for Parents |
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| PTA Christmas Bake Sale | 15 th December | Poster attached |
| Christmas Carol Service at St Mary's Church | 17 th December | Y3 and Y4 – 10am Y5 and Y6 – 11am } Parents Welcome |
| End of term | 19 th December | School closes at 13:15 |
| Back to school - Spring Term | 5 th January | School opens at 8:40am |
| Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) | 12 th January | More info to follow |
| Parent Consultations | 4 th and 5 th February | |
| INSET Day | 13 th February | School Closed |
| Half term | 16 th February – 20 th February | School Closed |

Letters / documents sent this week

| Letter/Email | Action |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Year 3 Celtic Harmony trip | Live on ParentPay |
| Flu Vaccination | Community clinic details |
| Lost Property | Claim unnamed items |
| Campus Safety | Important Campus Information |

Pupil led fundraising activities this half term

| Date & time | Activity |
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| Friday 12 December – lunchtime | Table top sale in aid of Florence Nightingale |
| Thursday 18 December - lunchtime | Table top sale in aid of Florence Nightingale |

The items being sold include things the children have made themselves, as well as small novelty and stationery items. These are pocket money style sales and children are welcome to bring in a couple of pounds to help support each cause.

We kindly ask that any money brought in is in change rather than notes.

Worship

Our theme is Advent – the preparation for Christmas.

We thought about Christmas films this week and how they encourage us to think differently. In particular, we explored the characters of Ebenezer Scrooge and the Grinch. Children were asked to reflect on what they might change about themselves.

We are also busy preparing for our end of term carol service. This will be in St Mary's Church on Wednesday 17 December: Y3&4 at 10am then Y4&6 at 11am. Parents are most welcome to join us.

Advent: hope, love, peace and joy!

Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Y3 children performed their Nativity this week with amazing enthusiasm, fantastic singing voices and confident acting.

They should be proud of their incredible efforts- thank you to all the adults at home and school that enabled the children to perform and enjoy their Nativity so much.

Year 4

The Year 4 children have investigated the use of factor bugs in Maths to help find all the factors of a given product. They have also enjoyed the Christmas-themed guided reading topic this week and provided some thoughtful comments in their discussions on the texts.

Year 5

Year 5 finished their sentence stacking unit on a Non-fictional report about an astronaut's mission to Mars. We started planning our own reports today - a mission report from a fictional planet. Who knows where our intrepid space explorers will end up? What will happen to them? Watch this space...

Year 6

This week has been less hectic in Year 6. We have enjoyed the Year 3 Nativity and begun to draft our persuasive letters. One week to go Year 6!

Campus Safety

Thank you to everyone for helping to keep the campus safe. In the last two days, we have not witnessed any irresponsible parking or driving at the top of the campus. Many parents have made positive comments about the difference.

Thank you to the parent who has volunteered their time to help traffic marshal, more are welcome, and for a kind donation of no-waiting cones.

Thank you

Christmas Jumper Day

Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper to school next Friday. This is not a mufti day; children need to wear the rest of their uniform as normal.

There is no need to rush out and buy a jumper. We will be awarding a prize in each year group for the best 'upcycled' jumper.



Child-led fundraisers

Well done to children for continuing to raise money for worthy causes.

In recent weeks we have had sales for Tiggywinkles and the RSPCA, raising £100 and £77 respectively.

Well done to:

Phoebe, Sylvie and Alice in year 6 and Rosie, Elsie, Megan and Esme in Year 4.

CONGRATULATIONS!

PTA News

Don't Forget Our PTA Christmas Bake Sale!

Prizes will be awarded to the most creative cakes for each year group, with a sale of the cakes starting at **3:30 PM** in the school hall.

Cake Entries: Please bring your cakes to the school hall on **Monday 15th December**.

We can't wait to see your delicious creations!

Raffle Reminder: Don't forget to buy your raffle tickets for the **Coloured Hampers Raffle!** Tickets are available on ParentPay until **Sunday 14th December**.



Swim Instructors Needed

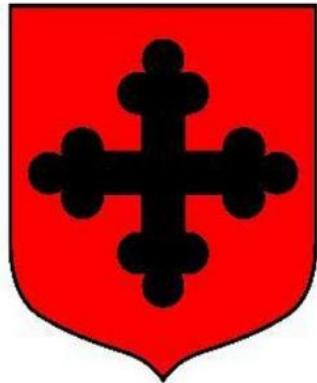
We are looking for three qualified swim instructors to support our school swimming lessons on Friday afternoons at the Wendover Pool.

Applicants must hold a current qualification.

If you are available and interested in helping, please email the school office as soon as possible. Unfortunately, without these positions filled, we will not be able to run swimming lessons.



Support required



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LAMDA Performance Coaching & Exams with Danielle Gaglione from Dramarama

Unlock your child's potential through the world of performance! LAMDA (London Academy of Music & Dramatic Art) tuition builds confidence, communication skills, and creativity—skills that last a lifetime. Danielle Gaglione, an experienced drama coach from Dramarama, offers engaging 1-2-1 or paired LAMDA performance coaching sessions in acting or introductory poetry during afternoon lessons. Whether your child loves acting or simply wants to be more confident, this is the perfect opportunity to develop accredited life skills in a fun and nurturing environment .

⭐ Book a LAMDA taster session at WCEJS and enjoy 10% off Danielle's usual fees!
Spaces are limited—don't miss out!

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Wraparound Care at Wendover CofE Junior

We're delighted to partner with Premier Education to provide high-quality wraparound care at our school.

Our Ofsted registered provision gives children a safe, fun, and stimulating environment before and after school, while supporting busy parents with flexible childcare options.

Why Choose Us?

- Experienced, caring staff (all DBS checked)
- Paediatric First Aid & Safeguarding trained team
- Fun, structured activities every day
- Healthy snacks included (dietary needs catered for)
- No deposit or registration fee

Who Can Attend?

- Open to Years 3–6
- Flexible ad-hoc bookings available
- Block bookings welcome

Contact Us

 01296 620097
 office-11@premier-education.com

Drop off & Collection

The sessions will take place at the Wendover Youth Centre. Children attending the breakfast club will need to be dropped here. Our staff will then take the children over to the school to start their day. For the Afterschool club, children will meet our team on the school playground. Once registration has been completed, the group will then walk to the Youth Centre, Collection can begin from 4:00pm.

Session Times & Prices

Breakfast Club

 7:45–8:45am

 £6.50 per session

After School Club

 3:30–6:00pm

 £13.50 per session

 15% sibling discount

Holiday Clubs (including INSET Days)

Full Day

 8:30–3:30pm — £37.59 per day

Extended Day

 8:30–6:00pm — £46.80 per day

Book a Place

Booking is quick and simple through our online portal.

- Book online up to 1:00 pm on the same day.
- For emergency bookings after 1:00 pm, please call us directly on 01296 620097.

(Please note: late/emergency bookings may include an admin charge.)

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

Free parenting programmes and resources

If you are interested please click on the below:

<https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/advice-and-support/parenting/free-parenting-courses/>