



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 22.5.26

Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Dates for your diary

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
May half term	25 th – 29 th May	School closed
Inset Day	1 st June	School closed
Year 3 Roman Day	5 th June	Live on ParentPay
Class Photos	9 th June	
Year 4 River and Rowing trip	10 th and 11 th June	Live on ParentPay
Young Carers School Fun Run	12 th June	Children to come to school in PE kit
Sports Day	19 th June	9:30-11:30 - Parents welcome
Year 6 Residential	24 th – 26 th June	Check instalments are up to date
School Transition Day	7 th July	New class/school move up day
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	21 st July	Details to follow
Last Day of term	22 nd July	School closes 13:15

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action
Y6 SRE Letter - "Growing & Changing"	See for lesson objectives
Y4 Model making	Materials needed
Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check	See for info and guidance
Reminder - Y3 Roman Day	Check ParentPay for consent/contribution
Reminder - Y4 River and Rowing Museum	Check ParentPay for consent/contribution

This Week's Highlights

Year 3

Year 3 class assemblies were excellent this week, - all the children sat well, read their lines beautifully and showed some really great work and talents. They made their teachers proud!

Children have enjoyed researching an animal and writing a non chronological report.

In maths, children have been recapping knowledge and learning how to tell the time to 5 minutes on analogue clocks!

Year 4

The Year 4 children have shown great resilience in completing their adapted Charlie and the Chocolate Factory stories and creativity in designing front covers in the style of Quentin Blake. They have also worked extremely hard in preparing for the Multiplication Tables Check in June. The Year 4 teachers would like to wish the children and their families a peaceful and enjoyable half term holiday.

Year 5

It has been a very good and successful half term for Year 5 - Well done all! 5J thoroughly enjoyed their Fire-Safety Workshop today and they were all very excited seeing the fire truck. The children enjoyed watching clips from the Eurovision and playing Eurovision bingo. In addition to this, the children have enjoyed reading The Highway Rat by Julia Donaldson, taking inspiration for their own version of the poems for after half term.

I hope you all have a lovely week off and enjoy the glorious sunshine that is due to be here with us for the week!

Year 6

This week, Year 6 have begun their Enterprise activity, getting themselves into little businesses, designing products and budgeting. We have also started production practice and received leaver's hoodies. It's all go!

Worship

As part of the school council's Mental Health and Wellbeing Passport, we are thinking about social injustice and climate change.

We learned more about how people can be affected by global warming and that some of the most affected are the least responsible for it. Children have been challenged to think about the changes that they could make to help slow global warming.

Phones and Smart Watches

We currently permit children to bring their phone into school if parents require this. The conditions are that:

- Phones are not used inappropriately to and from school;
- Phones are turned off before entering school premises and only turned on again when off school premises;
- Phones remain in the pupil's locker throughout the day.

Smart watches should not be brought into school under any circumstances.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Language Angels Challenge

We're excited to announce that Wendover CE Junior School is taking part in a Language Angels challenge, the Glurbs Language Quest, where schools can win a school resources grant of **£5,000**, and we need your help!

Our pupils are on a mission to boost our school's ranking by completing fun, curriculum-aligned language lessons in the Glurbs app.

Designed by the team behind Language Angels, Glurbs features safe, structured, curriculum-aligned learning for children aged 4-12.

How to join the mission:

Download: Scan the QR code on the flyer that is provided or search for "Glurbs" in your app store (Apple or Google Play).

Register: Join the competition by pressing on the "Language Quest" button and enter our unique school code 90UC7PS.

Enjoy: Start learning and exploring! Completing planets and activities earns points for our school throughout the challenge and helps us move up the competition leaderboard!

The app is free to download and participation is completely optional.

Thank you for supporting Wendover CE Junior School and encouraging language learning beyond the classroom.

For full details, please visit www.glurbs.com

Young Carers Sponsored Fun Run

On Friday 12th June, our WJS Young Carers group will be hosting a Sponsored Fun Run Day for the whole school.

Each class will take part in a 10-minute assault course run, kindly organised by RAF Halton, to help raise money for Bucks Young Carers — a local charity supporting young carers across Buckinghamshire.

If the school raises over £750, staff will take part in a special “Masked Runner” fun run in the afternoon for the children to enjoy – we are only 37% of the way there!

Children should come to school wearing their PE kits and bring a water bottle, sunhat and sun cream.

If you would like to sponsor the event, please visit our JustGiving page:

[Just Giving - YC School Fun Run](#)



Wendover CE Junior School's fundraiser for Carers Bucks



Wendover CE Junior School Wendover is raising money for Carers Bucks



£283

raised of £750 target by
25 supporters

Hampden Meadow: New Playground Equipment for 2027

Wendover Parish Council will be replacing the current, rather tired playground equipment in Hampden Meadow next year in time for the summer and we really need your help and advice.

Rather than just replace the equipment like for like which would be very boring, we want to create an exciting, fun and stimulating area for your children. We also want to make sure that the playground area supports children with special needs.

We would like to find out your ideas and suggestions and what you think would work best. We can then incorporate your recommendations into the new playground plans as you know what your children will enjoy.

Councillors Stephen Worth and Mark Standen organise the Open Spaces Working Group which advises the WPC on what new equipment is needed. It's an informal group that meets at Craftyard once every few months.

Could you spare us some of your valuable time to help us plan a really exciting play area for your children?

Please contact either Stephen and Mark and come to the next Working Group meeting which will be arranged sometime in June. At this point in the project, anything goes (subject to health and safety of course!) so all your ideas are welcome.

Please contact Stephen or Mark at the email addresses below:

stephen.worth@wendover-pc.gov.uk

mark.standen@wendover-pc.gov.uk

Free Parent Support

- **Parent Puzzle Workshops (0–5 years)** - Fun and practical sessions to help parents understand their child's behaviour and build a calmer, happier home.
- **Little Talkers (18 months–3 years)** - Relaxed sessions for parents and their child to support speech and language development through play, songs, and routines.
- **The Nurturing Programme (3–11 years)** - Learn new ways for parents to connect with their child, manage behaviour calmly, and strengthen family relationships.
- **Talking Teens (11–18 years)** - Support for parents to improve communication with their teenager and reduce conflict.
- **Keeping Your Child in Mind (All Ages)** - For parents who want to reflect on their own relationships and parenting style to make changes that can positively impact your child's emotional wellbeing
- **Balanceability (2.5 – 5 years)** - Develops confidence, spatial awareness, dynamic balance, and how to ride without stabilisers

Young People's Courses:

- **How to... Build Confidence and Self-Esteem** - Help your teenager feel better about themselves, build resilience, and navigate peer pressure and social media.
- **How to... Cope with Stress, Anxiety and Low Mood** - Equip your teenager with tools to manage their emotions and take steps toward a more positive future.
- **How to... Move up to secondary School** – we will be releasing dates of courses and webinars over the next few weeks.

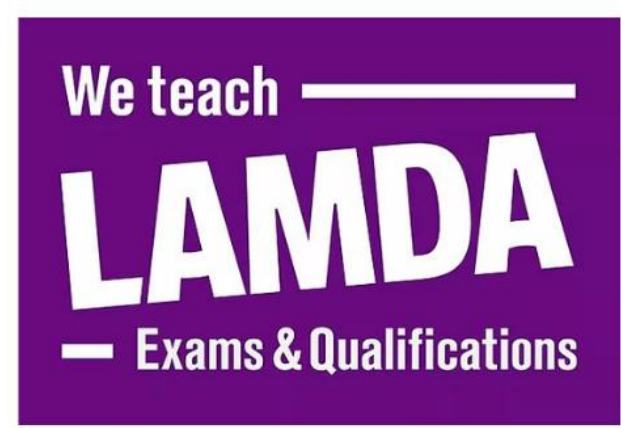
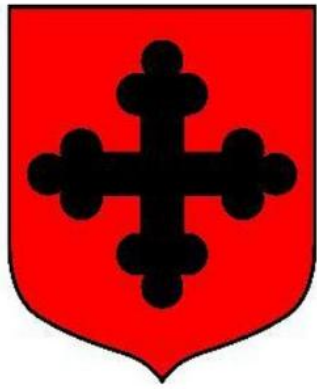
Children's Courses:

- **Wellbeing Matters (Ages 7–11)** - A fun one-day workshop to help children understand their feelings, build confidence, and learn how to get along with other

All sessions are free and delivered by experienced practitioners in a welcoming, inclusive environment. For more information or to book a place, parents can visit [View our courses, groups, and support | Family Information Service](#).

Parents and young people are also able to drop in to Southcourt Family Centre Plus for **free and confidential advice and information** Mon – Friday (posters attached).

Support Sessions



Unlock Your Child's Confidence and Creativity

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!

www.dramaramaclubs.uk/LAMDA

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 be 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/>