



# 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 26.9.25

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**Respect**

**Responsibility**

**Reflection**

**Resilience**

# Dates for your diary

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
Meet the Teacher	29 <sup>th</sup> September – 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	More details in this newsletter
Harvest Festival	30 <sup>th</sup> September	St Mary's Church 9:30am Y3 and Y4 10:30am Y5 and Y6
School photos	7 <sup>th</sup> October	
Year 4 Egyptian Day	15 <sup>th</sup> October	Consent and contribute on ParentPay
Half Term	27 October – 31 October	School Closed
Parent Consultations	12 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Details to follow
Year 6 class assemblies	18 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Details to follow
Year 5 Space Day	28 <sup>th</sup> November	Details to follow
Year 6 Hazard Alley trip	28 <sup>th</sup> November	Details to follow
Year 6 Hazard Alley trip	2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Details to follow
INSET day	5 <sup>th</sup> December	School closed

# Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action
Year 4 Ancient Egypt workshop	Read for more details

# Worship

We are continuing to explore the school vision and values. Last week, we focussed on responsibility and this week we have looked at reflection.

We began by exploring how many animals react when seeing themselves in a mirror. We then thought about the gift of reflection and how we can use this to help us live better lives. Remco joined us on Tuesday and shared the story of...

# Reflection

# Weekly Highlights

## Year 3

Children have considered the idea of gratitude, and what they have to be thankful for this Harvest time ready to write prayers and thoughts ahead of Harvest celebrations next week

Children are enjoying learning the story, Katie in London, during English lessons

Children worked collaboratively during a friction science experiment this week

## Year 4

The Year 4 children enjoyed creating their own string telephones for a sound investigation in science. They were able to discuss the two natures of Jesus (Human and God) in R.E. and showed great curiosity when learning about the speed of the internet in opening up a website.

## Year 5

Year 5 were introduced to Ordnance Survey maps in their Geography lesson this week, and learned how to use a 4-figure grid reference to locate places. They were very excited when they were able to find WJS and give the grid reference for it, but realised that a grid reference for the A41 might be a bit more challenging!

## Year 6

Congratulations to all those who have been given Year 6 roles of responsibility and thank you to all the children for putting themselves forward for those roles. Of course, some children are disappointed but we are impressed how all of them have dealt with that disappointment.

# Campus Safety

Last week, a silver / grey car was left on double yellow lines preventing coaches leaving the campus. Thankfully, it was not an emergency service vehicle that was prevented from getting onto / off site quickly.

Parking on double yellow lines and hazard lines can increase the chances of an accident happening. We felt it appropriate to share this image to remind everyone about parking with due care and consideration for others.



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**



# Eco Team and Food Waste

Our Eco Team has noticed a lot of food being thrown away at lunchtime. This waste impacts the environment and uses up resources unnecessarily.

You can help:

- Talk about the menu: Check what's for lunch and discuss choices with your child.
- Share feedback: If there are meals your child doesn't enjoy, let us know — it helps us plan better.
- Pack wisely: If sending lunch from home, keep portions right-sized and avoid foods they often leave.

Together we can cut waste, save resources, and teach our children to value their food.



# Staying Safe

We have recently seen children climbing trees and sitting or climbing on barriers while waiting for the gates to open. This is not safe and can lead to falls and injuries.

Please help us keep everyone safe by reminding your child to stay on the paths and off barriers and trees.

We also encourage children to wait safely and calmly before school.

Thank you for supporting us in keeping our campus safe for everyone.



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## **Meet the Teacher**

We have revised arrangements for Meet the Teacher this year. This is so that parents have the opportunity to gain important information about the year ahead and meet their child's new teachers. Each session will start at 3.45pm in the school hall; Mr Kynaston and the Year Leader will talk briefly before your child takes you to look at their classroom. Class Teachers will be there for a brief informal catch-up. All sessions end at 4.30pm.

Year 6 – Monday 29 September

Year 5 Tuesday 30 September

Year 4 – Wednesday 1 October

Year 3 Thursday 2 October

# 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](mailto:beckfordmusic@hotmail.com)

**Brass** please email [rjkitchen@sky.com](mailto: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/>