



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)

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Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Dates for your diary

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
Author Visit	24 th October	See the attached letter
PTA Halloween Jam Jars	24 th October	See attached poster
Half Term	27 October – 31 October	School Closed
Parent Consultations	12 th and 13 th November	Details to follow
Year 6 class assemblies	18 th November - 6W 19 th November - 6J 20 th November - 6S	
Year 5 Space Day	28 th November	Details to follow
Year 6 Hazard Alley trip	28 th November	Details to follow
Year 6 Hazard Alley trip	2 nd December	Details to follow
INSET day	5 th December	School closed

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action

Worship

Over the next five weeks, we will be exploring the themes of **inequality and injustice**.

We have further explored how the actions of Rosa Parks and Guy Bailey challenged inequality and injustice. We have also thought about Martin Luther Kings speech 'I have a dream.' In particular, we have agreed that we should always judge a person by the content of their character and not the colour of their skin.

Inequality & Injustice

Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Year 3 have enjoyed writing their independent stories inspired by the book *Katie in London*. They are continuing to consider whether it matters if some stories are true or not, and can they still teach us valuable lessons. This week thought about the lessons and teaching we can take from the Parable of the Lost Sheep.

Y3 have learnt and practiced shading techniques in art lessons this week, thinking about tone, light dark and shadow representation.

Year 4

The Year 4 children thoroughly enjoyed the Shooting Stars production of *Curse of the Mummy* and demonstrated excellent learning behaviour throughout. The drama company were impressed by the children's knowledge of Ancient Egypt. The children also showed great creativity in exploring the life of Ancient Egyptians through drama.

Year 5

Year 5 had a very interesting Maths week. They learned about prime numbers (not the number you call if Amazon does not deliver!), square numbers and cube numbers. They used manipulatives to build the cubes to show, visually, how a cube number works, and how it is worked out from a mathematical point of view.

Year 6

This week, Year 6 have had a strong focus on grammar and sentence construction, culminating in the drafting of some fabulous descriptive setting descriptions. Keep working at it, Year 6. A special thanks to all the prefects, who have done a sterling job showing prospective parents around the school. Well done.

Author Visit

On Friday 24th October 2025, the award-winning author Hannah Gold will visit our school to share more information about her new book 'The Lone Husky'.

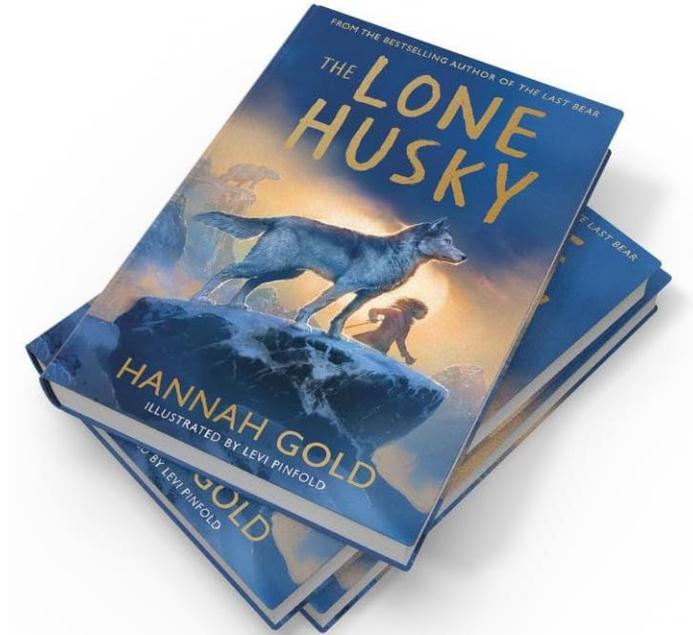
There is an exciting opportunity for pupils to purchase her new book and these will be signed.

You will need to order her book from Tring Bookshop by using this link:
<https://www.ourbookshoptring.co.uk/product/the-lone-husky-a-brand-new-arctic-adventure-from-the-sunday-times-best-selling-author-of-the-last-bear/>

Postage is not required as Tring Bookshop will deliver all the books on the day. Please write your child's name and class when you are ordering.

Please place any order by Wednesday 22nd October 2025.

There will also be an opportunity for parents to purchase the book after school on Friday, in the hall. This is card payments only.



Pupil-led fundraiser

Our Year 6 pupils organised a fantastic bake sale to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

The cakes sold out in no time!

Thank you to everyone who bought a cake and supported the fundraiser!

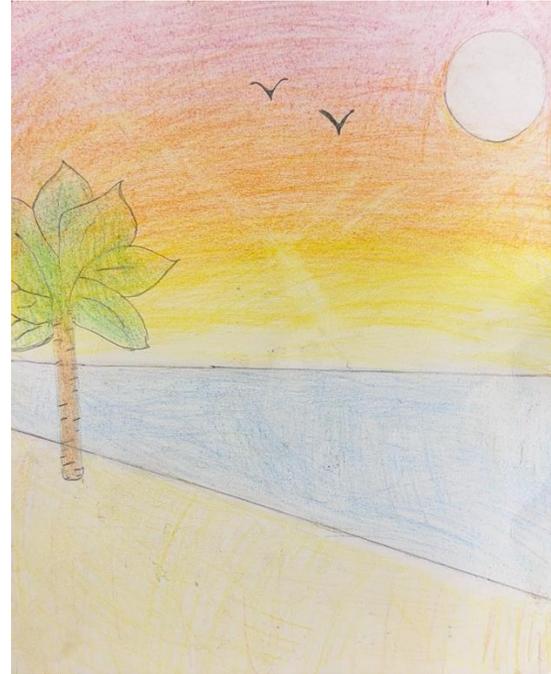


Pupil-led competition

Well done to all the children who submitted a piece of artwork for our "Anything or anywhere peaceful" competition.

The Year 5 pupils enjoyed looking at all the entries. The winners have been chosen and announced in assembly today.

Congratulations to Kalsom Y6, Alex Y5 and Molly Y3 for their wonderful artwork entries.



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

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/>