



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
RAF and SEND coffee morning	24 th September	9:00 – school hall
Meet the teacher events	28 th September – Year 5 29 th September – Year 6 30 th September – Year 4 1 st October – Year 3	See details in this newsletter
Harvest Festival at St Mary's Church	6 th October	10am – Year 3 & 4 11am – Year 5 & 6
School photos	7 th October	
Flu Vaccinations	22 nd October	
Half term	26 th October – 30 October	School closed

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action

Worship

The overarching theme for this year will be social inequality.

Our focus this week has been responsibility. Children have been thinking about what their responsibilities are, in and out of school.

Next week will see us looking at respect and responsibility. As part of this, we are emphasising careful listening – I am sure there will be lots of house points given out.

This Week's Highlights

Year 3

Year 3 children have demonstrated their writing skills during English this week, writing a story about a special journey. Children have enjoyed designing and making their own worry dolls. Children are looking at the UK in Geography. This week they have considered different types of land use across the UK, and thinking about examples of each.

Year 4

Year 4 started working on a persuasive letter to a famous author this week. We did research, and found out interesting facts about David Walliams and his career as an author. In Maths, we continue to work on place value, and we had a careful look at number lines today. We have to be sure to count the intervals and not the lines!

Year 5

The Year 5 children have shown a good knowledge of place value and shown resilience in counting and ordering numbers up to a million. The children have also enjoyed finding out about the effects of gravity in our Science unit on Forces and used Newton meters to measure the force acting on different items in the classroom.

Year 6

It has been another very busy week in Year 6. Well done to everyone for persevering through baseline assessments! We ended the week with a Christmas card art session! Yes, already! There are some absolutely smashing designs which you will in due course have the option to order as we do each year. Have a great weekend, everyone.

Our Priorities

The priorities for this school year are:

- Raising attainment in writing and maths
- Ensuring that all pupils make good progress from their starting points
- Focussing on metacognition (how children learn best) to drive progress
- Developing resilience to climate change

Our school development plan for this year will be shared on the school website soon.

Meet the Teacher

Meet the Teacher is a chance for parents to find out more about the year ahead and meet their child's new teacher.

Each session will start at 3.45pm in the school hall, where Mr Kynaston and the Year Leader will give a short introduction. Your child will then take you to see their classroom.

Class Teachers will be available for a brief informal catch-up.

All sessions will finish at 4.30pm.

Year 5 – 28th September

Year 6 – 29th September

Year 4 – 30th September

Year 3 – 1st October

Important

E Schools

A reminder that eSchools is the platform through which we share extended learning and tasks that are set in the event that we need to switch to remote learning.

eSchools should not be used to communicate with members of staff. All emails should be sent to:

admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk

Members of staff will not reply to messages sent through eSchools.

Harvest Festival

We are holding our Harvest Festival on the morning of Tuesday 6th October at St Mary's Church. Parents are invited to join us at 10am for the Y3&4 service and 11am for the Y5&6 service.

Throughout this term we will be supporting the Aylesbury foodbank. No donation is too small. Please bring donations to the collection bin outside the school reception.

Donations may be made at any time, not just in harvest week.

Tesco Stronger Starts – Please Vote for Our School

We are delighted to share that **Wendover CE Junior School** has been selected to take part in the **Tesco Stronger Starts** customer vote.

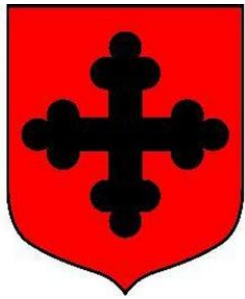
From **Monday 3 August until the end of November**, you can help us secure funding for our **Gardening Club**, which gives children the opportunity to plant, grow and care for fruit, vegetables and flowers while learning valuable gardening skills.

Every time you shop in one of the Tesco stores below, you'll receive a **blue token** at the checkout. Please pop your token into the **Wendover CE Junior School** voting box. Every vote counts and could help us receive up to **£1,500** for our project.

You can vote at:

- Tesco Amersham Superstore
- Tesco Chesham Express
- Tesco Amersham Hill Avenue Express
- Tesco Little Chalfont Express

Thank you for your support



LAMDA Success in Years 4, 5 and 6

In September, 12 students in years 4, 5 and 6 started studying towards a LAMDA Acting Qualification at the school with Danielle from Dramarama. Following a formal performance exam in June, we are delighted to confirm that all students excelled in the exam with marks ranging from 77% to 87%! Well done Eira, Emily H, Isabella R, Laila, Maya, Naya, Phoebe, Reggie H, Riley S, Romilly S, Stephi S, Sylvie RW!!

Danielle and the students hosted an assembly on Thursday to show the rest of the school what they've learned... do ask your child what they thought and if they'd like to have a go!

Naya said "It's made me feel confident performing"

Maya said: 'It's helped me to be more confident holding conversations and sharing my ideas'

Laila said "It's helped me understand emotions and to talk about feelings"

Next week, Danielle is offering **DOUBLE** discounted [LAMDA Taster sessions](#) to anyone in Years 3 to 5 who might want to have a go next year. With only limited spaces we urge you to [BOOK A SPACE ASAP](#) and before Wednesday 15th July via www.dramaramaclubs.uk/LAMDA or contact Danielle 07921760038.

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/>