

### **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 20.6.25

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Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

# **Dates for your diary**

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
Year 6 Residential	23 <sup>rd</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Ensure payments are up to date on ParentPay
Year 4 Cricket Skills Event	27 <sup>th</sup> June	
Transition Day	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	
Culinera Food Tasting	1st July	
Young Carers Fun Run	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Pupil only event - children to arrive in PE kit
Strawberry Fayre	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	
Year 6 Production	9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> July	See school calendar for timings
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	22 <sup>nd</sup> July	10am-11am St Marys Church – Parents welcome
Year 6 PTA Leavers Party	23 <sup>rd</sup> July	
Last day of term	23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Collect children t at 1.15pm

## Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action
Collection of children	Read for guidelines
Year 6 Residential	Important information including timings
Strawberry Fayre	Bookable on ParentPay
Year 3 Art Materials	Request

# **Weekly Reflection**

As part of being our best-self, we have thought about how we can be peacemakers. Jack, the Pioneer Youth and Families Worker for the local church team, joined us on Wednesday; he shared the story of the Good Samaritan to reinforce the importance of caring for one another

We will start to think about change and new beginnings next week. This is part of our transition package, getting children ready for September.

# **Thank You**

Wednesday was 'Thank a Teacher Day.' Thank you to the parents who took time to send a positive message. I would like to say thank you to all the staff at Wendover CE Juniors for all their hard work, not least this week with the Sports Carousel and Sports Day.

"Thank you so much for creating another exciting day. Not a week goes by without something new to look forward to. The hard work that must go into this is not taken for granted." "We wanted to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude for the love, care, and support you've shown our child this year. You've created a safe, nurturing space that has allowed them to blossom in their own special way. Your patience, kindness, and gentle guidance have helped them build trust and confidence. Your dedication, creativity, and enthusiasm in the classroom have brought learning to life for them."

"I wanted to say a huge thank you for organising a wonderful day for the children yesterday. My child absolutely loved doing so many activities and thought it was great fun. I really appreciate the extra work, organisation and energy needed from all the staff to put on a day like this and it is hugely appreciated." "Thank you for seeing the potential in every child, including mine, and for helping them grow into the best versions of themselves. Your influence extends far beyond the classroom"

# **Weekly Highlights**

#### Year 3

Y3 demonstrated excellent resilience, responsibility and respect during their sporting activities this week, Children sang beautifully during the Y2/3 singalong on Monday Children have enjoyed drawing around their shadows across the day on Thursday to see what happens to it during the day

Children have created shadow art pictures using positive words they think describe their class

#### Year 4

All the Year 4 children participated enthusiastically in the Sports Day carousel on Tuesday and demonstrated the four Rs when working in their mixed year teams. The Year 4 teachers were also very impressed with the maturity and empathy shown during this week's RSHE lessons.

#### Year 5

Year 5 took part in a variety of activities during our week of sport. On Tuesday, pupils were in teams, had the opportunity to take part in different events as members of a team, and showcased the 4Rs. On Friday they took part in running races, and thoroughly enjoyed encouraging each other from the side-lines!

#### Year 6

Year 6 have enjoyed our 2 sports days this week and we were impressed by the leadership shown by many of the children on Tuesday, helping the younger children in their groups.

### Year 3 Art

In our art topic, Mega Materials, 3J created shadow sculptures displaying the values and characteristics of members of their class.



# **Sports Day**

Thank you to everyone who was able to support sports day today. The weather stayed fine for us and their was an excellent display of school values. We hope you enjoyed the coffee shop!

Thank you once again to Mr Newnes and all the staff who helped to organise the activities today and on Tuesday of this week.



# **Celebrating Success**

We are proud of the incredible achievements of our pupils – take a look at what they've been up to:

Ava showed stamina and determination by completing a kids triathlon!

Tia danced her way to 1<sup>st</sup> place in two categories – under 10's rock n roll and under 10's pairs

Macy took home two medals in her recent dance competition – a brilliant achievement!

A huge well done to all of you!



# Weather Safety

As the weather begins to get hotter, please remember our advice:

- Everyone should have a simple named water bottle in school filled with water only
- Long sleeved cotton shirts are better protection against sun that short sleeved ones
- Sun cream should be applied before coming to school
- Sun hats provide good protection for the head



### **Fundraising event**

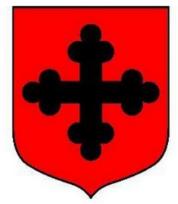
We are excited to announce that our Young Carers and Service Children have organised a fun run event happening in school on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

We are asking for a minimum donation of £2 per child which can be made via Parentpay. Every penny raised will be donated to Little Troopers and Global's Make Some Noise.

All children are invited to wear their PE kit for the day and join in the fun.

So far we have raised £184.50 through ParentPay – thank you! Our target is £500, and if we hit it...the staff will race in Mascot Costumes!









# LAMDA Tuition starting in September 2025

We are thrilled to announce that Danielle Gaglione of Dramarama will be offering individual, paired and small group LAMDA tuition at WCEJS as a visiting peripatetic drama teacher from September!

If your child would love to develop their performance skills and build confidence in a fun and structured way, you can now sign them up for individual or small group coaching in acting or poetry at Wendover Junior School. Lessons are 20 or 30 minutes each week and will take place during the school day (on a rotating schedule so they don't always miss the same lessons or lunchtime).

Mrs Gaglione is offering 10% discount from her usual tuition costs for Wendover C of E students. To find out more see the poster attached to this email and register for a Taster Session on the website:

### www.dramaramaclubs.uk/LAMDA

## 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 <u>https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/</u>

Drums/Bass/Electric guitar/Piano please email <a href="mailto:beckfordmusic@hotmail.com">beckfordmusic@hotmail.com</a>

Brass please email rjkitchen@sky.com

### **Premier Education Sports Clubs**

Don't forget that Premier Education sports clubs are available throughout the half term! You can still book online (pending availability) and will only pay for the remaining sessions.

If your child hasn't already booked a place for these sessions, we encourage you to do so soon to secure their spot. Spaces are limited, and we want to ensure every child has the opportunity to participate in these enriching activities.

Booking portal: <u>https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/17247/?location=wendover</u>

Key Contacts: If you have any questions or need further information, please reach out to our dedicated team:

Venue Manager: Daniel Email: <u>dbell@premier-education.com</u> Phone: 01296 620 097

General Inquiries: Martyn Email: <u>office-11@premier-education.com</u> Phone: 01296 620 097

We look forward to welcoming your child to our Afterschool Wraparound Programme and providing them with a memorable and educational experience. Thank you for your continued support.

## Free parenting programmes and resources

If you are interested please click on the below:

https://familyinfo.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/advice-andsupport/parenting/free-parenting-courses/