



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 15.5.26

Respect

Responsibility

Reflection

Resilience

Dates for your diary

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
Year 3 Class assemblies	19 th May (3W) , 20 th May (3J) , 21 st May (3S)	
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
Sports Day	19 th June	
Year 6 Residential	24 th – 26 th June	Check instalments are up to date
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
Year 5 PSHE lessons "Growing and Changing"	See for lesson objectives
Sponsored Fun Run! Friday 12th June	Information on event and how to sponsor
Year 4 - RSHE Lessons	See for lesson objectives
Summer Term Extra Curricular Clubs	Dates and details on how to book
Year 4 River and Rowing Museum	See for Trip information

Pupil led fundraising activities this half term

Date & time	Activity
Thursday 7 May	Bake sale in aid of Liver Cancer UK
Friday 8 May	Table top sale in aid of Florence Nightingale

The items being sold include things the children have made themselves, as well as small novelty and stationery items. These are pocket money style sales and children are welcome to bring in a couple of pounds to help support each cause.

We kindly ask that any money brought in is in change rather than notes.

This Week's Highlights

Year 3

Year three have been busy preparing thoughts ahead of their assemblies next week

Children have been working at adding and subtracting money and working out change this week in maths

Children have been thinking about how we cope with climate change this week during reflection

Year 4

The Year 4 children showed great curiosity when investigating the melting rates of different types of chocolate in Science. However, we are still trying to solve the mystery of what happened to the chocolate after tidying up the investigation! The children also enjoyed creating their own lyrics for a Calypso song in Music.

Year 5

5W and 5S thoroughly enjoyed their Fire Safety workshop today. The children have also shown a good understanding of column addition and column subtraction, working through the challenges resiliently.

Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been absolutely amazing. We couldn't be prouder of them and how they have approached the week of assessments. Today, they have enjoyed the beginning of auditions, with a celebration to end the week. Well done, everyone.

Worship

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

This week, we thought about climate change and how the least responsible for it are often the most affected by it. Children have been challenged to think about the changes that they could make to help slow global warming.

Smart Watches

We recently had an incident in Year 4 involving a smart watch being used to take photographs of other children in school.

We would like to remind parents that smart watches with cameras or messaging functions should be brought into school. Pupils must not take photographs or videos of others.

Thank you for your support with this matter.



Important Information

Child Led Fundraising



Aimee from Year 4 organised and ran a lunchtime table top sale to raise money for Florence Nightingale Hospice.

The sale was a great success and raised £74. Well done to everyone who supported the event.

William in Year 6 completed The PACE Centre Big Walk 2026 on Saturday doing the 12 mile route from Berkhamsted to Wendover.

He was joined by his Dad and a family friend with his son, and together they have currently raised over £1000 for The Pace Centre!



Duckling Update

Year 3 were excited to receive an update from Incredible Eggs about the ducklings they helped hatch in school.

The ducklings returned from school have now joined others on the farm and are being cared for in warm brooding sheds, where they have plenty of food, water and space to grow. They are enjoying zooming around in the sunshine and in a few weeks, they will move outside into the grass paddocks.

Well done to Year 3 for taking such great care of them during their time at school, and thank you to the PTA for funding this enriching activity.



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.

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:

[Young Carers Sponsored Fun Run](#)



CarersBucks

Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help out with our Year 3 “Life in Roman Britain” Day in school on Friday 5th June 2026. The day will begin at approximately 9am.

Events like these rely on the support of parent volunteers to help the day run smoothly and to ensure the children get the most from the experience.

If you are available and would like to be part of this exciting day, please let us know by emailing the school office at admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk.

We would be very grateful for your support....please feel free to come dressed up!

Help Needed

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.

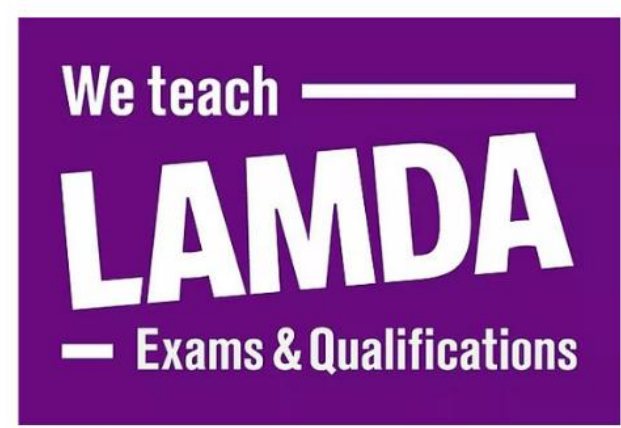
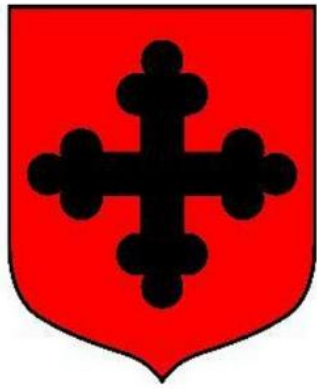
Children's Courses:

- **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/>