

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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Dates for your diary

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
PTA parent event	16 th September @ 7pm	More details in this newsletter
Meet the Teacher	TBC	Look out for updates
School photos	7 th October	
Half Term	27 October – 31 October	School Closed

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action
Free Fruit	Read email for details

Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Y3 children have made an excellent start to Y3. Children are showing respect and resilience as they start their year 3 journey. Children have very much enjoyed learning about and making their own worry dolls.

Children are working well in their maths lessons, revisiting and learning new concepts in our topic, place value.

Year 4

The Year 4 children have settled in very well to the new year group. They have improved their knowledge of place value in maths, written a recount from the point of view of an alien crash landing on earth and learnt to hand jive to rock and roll music. Mrs Simpson was very impressed by the enthusiasm and engagement from the children in their Spanish lesson. It's been a busy week!

Year 5

Year 5 have had a productive first full week back at school. They are getting back into school routines, learning about place values in Maths, and writing a narrative in English by stacking sentences in manageable chunks. They were very interested in this week's Science lesson, where we learned a bit more about gravity, and how important it really is.

Year 6

It has been a busy start for everyone in year 6. We are very proud of the way in which everyone approached 11+ this week: whether you sat the tests or didn't, you went about what you had to do in a calm and mature way. A big tick - well done everyone!

PTA News

Calling all parents and carers!

We would love it if you could join us on **Tuesday 16th September** at the Shoulder of Mutton.

This is a great chance to:

- Meet new faces and catch up with familiar ones.
- Share your ideas and thoughts on fundraising events past and future.
- Help us raise vital funds for the children of Wendover CE Junior School.

We're looking to introduce Class Reps this year to help with fundraising and to encourage volunteers to get involved with running events - without enough support, some of our much-loved events simply can't go ahead. Class reps will also act as a friendly link between parents and the PTA, helping to share updates and spread the word about events.

If you have ideas on how we can get Class Reps on board, or if you'd like to put yourself forward, we'd love to hear from you!

We look forward to seeing you there and working together to make this year's events even more successful.

Uniform and PE Kit

Please support your child by ensuring that they have the correct uniform and PE kit and that items are named. We have regular kit checks and children can earn house points by wearing the correct kit (house T shirt, black sports shorts and black sports songs – long or short). The link to the uniform supplier is below, but we do not insist that kit / uniform is purchased from them. Children not wear cycling / close fitting shorts, unless this is below their sports shorts in cold weather.

https://plschoolwear.co.uk/shop/aylesbury/wendover-junior-school



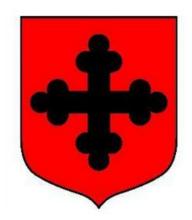
Swim Instructors Needed

We are looking for three qualified swim instructors to support our school swimming lessons on Friday afternoons at the Wendover Pool, starting from October.

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, our swimming lessons will not be able to run.









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 https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/

Drums/Bass/Electric guitar/Piano please email beckfordmusic@hotmail.com

Brass please email <u>rjkitchen@sky.com</u>

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: https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/17247/?location=wendover

Key Contacts:

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

Venue Manager: Daniel

Email: dbell@premier-education.com

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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-and-support/parenting/free-parenting-courses/