

# Wendover CE Junior School

## Newsletter: 16.9.2022



*We aim to be the school of choice for our community.  
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)**

**Respect**

**Responsibility**

**Reflection**

**Resilience**

# This week's Good News

**Year 3** are already demonstrating the school values – the 4 Rs – and they are showing a high level of participation in class (this is a focus for this year). They have shown great resilience in completing their spelling and reading tests. Thank you to parents for helping them bring in their PE kits – very smart!

**Year 4** have settled well and are enjoying the start of their Ancient Egyptian topic.

**Year 5** have settled back into school life quickly and have enjoyed writing their free verse poetry. Everyone has been very active playing football during games lessons.

**Year 6** are enjoying writing persuasive letters to their teacher about which role of responsibility they would like to be considered for. It has been lovely to see so many of them modelling our values at lunchtime, not least on the basketball court. Great resilience during the Secondary Transfer tests!

Our next phase of building works are now complete. We have a new boiler, new pipework and some of the roof has been replaced. We are now planning to refurbish the toilets as soon as we are able.

# Collective Worship

We have continued to explore our vision and values, thinking about how good a role model Queen Elizabeth II was. Our vision is founded on biblical teaching – the parable of the wise and foolish builder (Mathew 7 24-27). We want our vision and values to be the foundation that children build their lives on and something that is our stay in times of trouble. We want everyone to be curious about themselves, about the lives of others, about the world and what lies beyond. We want everyone to have courage, standing up respectfully for what they believe in. We want everyone to be compassionate – showing care for each other and our world.

Next week will see us beginning to explore spirituality.



# A celebration of the life of HM Queen Elizabeth II

Following on from our worship this week, we will be giving children the opportunity to contribute towards a big book that celebrates the life of Queen Elizabeth II.

Children will complete their entry in school, which will be on display before being collated in a book. We intend to make a pdf copy of the book so that we can share it with the community.

If you would like to leave a short message from your family, to be included in the book, click on this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/zYhMxmHwtj>



# Curriculum Update

We are continually looking for ways to improve our provision and to help parents support their child's learning. We are introducing WINKs. The What I Need To Know document will help children and parents better understand what is expected by the end of each unit of work. The first WINK will be sent to you next week. This will help you to understand what children need to have learned in maths by the end of the academic year.

In the meantime, the curriculum overview for this half term is attached to this newsletter as a pdf.



## Attendance & Punctuality

Please remember that you need to contact the school via email or telephone if your child is going to be absent. Contact should be made by 8.30am so that the school office is able to process absences quickly.

Thank you for ensuring that your child is in school by 8.50am. There have been far fewer late arrivals since the start of term. Well done everyone!

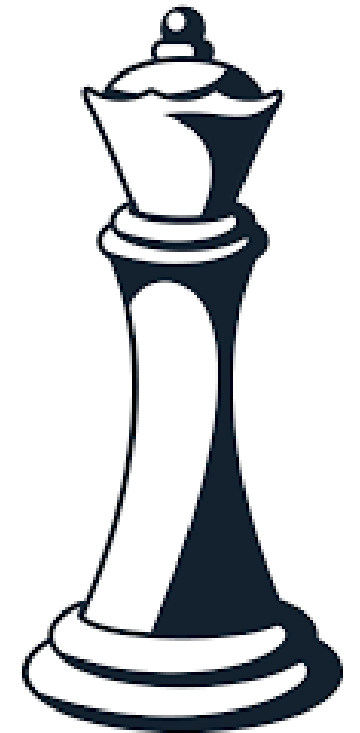


# Extra Curricular

Basketball club is now up and running every Tuesday and Thursday lunchtime for all children. Information regarding further clubs will follow shortly.

In the meantime, do you happen to have any unwanted chess sets gathering dust in a cupboard somewhere?

Mr Kirk is planning to start a chess club and is in need of chess sets. If you do have a chess set (with all the pieces please) that you don't mind donating to the school, please send them in. Having more chess sets would allow Mr Kirk to invite more children to the Chess Club.



# Communications

Please remember that all email communications for teachers should be sent to [admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk](mailto:admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk). These will be forwarded so that you receive a timely response. Do not send messages through the eSchools platform as teachers will not respond to them.

The school communication policy is attached to this newsletter.



Messages



# Dates for the Diary

19 September	Bank Holiday – School Closed
26 September	3.40 – 4.30 pm      Meet the Teacher

# Revised Office Opening hours

Please note that the office will be open from 9am – 3:15pm.

All other correspondence can be emailed to the office in the usual way or via a phone call

[admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk](mailto:admin@wendoverjunior.co.uk)

# Premier Education Wraparound & Holiday Club

Wendover Wraparound Club operates as follows Monday to Friday each week:

*Breakfast* - 7:50am – 8:50am, £5.25 a morning

*After School* - 3:30pm – 6:00pm, £12.00 a session

*Click here to book onto one of the wraparound services.*

*Click here for guidance on how to pay with childcare vouchers*

*For any further questions please contact Premier's Wendover office on 01296 620097 Martyn – [mhutt@premier-education.com](mailto:mhutt@premier-education.com)*