

## 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 19.9.25

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Respect Responsibility Reflection Resilience

# **Dates for your diary**

Activity	Dates	Action for Parents
Meet the SEND team/RAF Service Support	25 <sup>th</sup> September	See SEND newsletter
Junior Green Shoots Apple Bake Sale	26 <sup>th</sup> September	See Junior Green Shoots newsletter for more details
Meet the Teacher	29 <sup>th</sup> September – 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	More details in this newsletter
School photos	7 <sup>th</sup> October	
Year 4 Egyptian Day	15 <sup>th</sup> October	Details to follow
Half Term	27 October – 31 October	School Closed

# Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action
The Mandeville School - Open Event	See email for dates
RMS For Girls - Open Day	See email for dates
John Colet School Open Events 2025	See email for dates

# Worship

We are continuing to explore the school vision and values. Last week, we focussed on respect and this week we have looked at responsibility.

Children have thought about all the things they are responsible for: responsibility for themselves, for others and for the environment. We also thought about additional responsibilities that they could take on in school, including school council, worship leader or ecoteam.

# **Weekly Highlights**

### Year 3

Y3 children have shown resilience during their maths lessons, flexibly partitioning numbers to 1,000. Children have done some deeper thinking this week at the start of our RE lessons, considering what influences their beliefs.

Children are continuing to demonstrate our 4 Rs and Cs - well done for settling so well into WCEJS, year 3 children!

### Year 4

Year 4 have had a very busy week and have all demonstrated resilience in their learning. In RE, we learned about Jesus as God and Jesus as a human. We started our new persuasive writing unit in English. The children researched an author - and today they used similes effectively to explain the power of reading. In Maths, we have been using flexible partitioning for numbers up to 10,000 and placing numbers on a number line.

### Year 5

Year 5 finished their sentence stacking in English, and have started the planning phase of their own adventure story. It sounds interesting, writing a story from a book's point of view!

#### Year 6

It's been another busy and 'testing' week in Year 6! Base line assessments all done and dusted - well done everybody. We have also designed and decorated our Christmas cards for the annual Christmas Card order.

### **Meet the Teacher**

We have revised arrangements for Meet the Teacher this year. This is so that parents have the opportunity to gain important information about the year ahead and meet their child's new teachers. Each session will start at 3.45pm in the school hall; Mr Kynaston and the Year Leader will talk briefly before your child takes you to look at their classroom. Class Teachers will be there for a brief informal catch-up. All sessions end at 4.30pm.

Year 6 – Monday 29 September Year 5 Tuesday 30 September

Year 4 – Wednesday 1 October Year 3 Thursday 2 October

### **Harvest Festival**

We are holding our Harvest Festival on the morning of Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September at St Mary's Church. Parents are invited to join us at 9:30am for the Y3&4 service and 10:30am 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.

## **Health & Safety**

Our first evacuation drill was completed this week and was very successful. The whole school was evacuated in under two minutes. Children left the building quietly and walked to their assembly point very sensibly. We hope to be even quicker at our next drill!

Children have been reminded that they should come directly into school each morning and not wait on campus for their friends. Please reinforce this message if your child walks into school by themselves.



## **ParentPay**

### Alert from the local authority:

We've been made aware of a fraudulent app currently available on the Apple App Store that is using the ParentPay branding. This app is not affiliated with ParentPay and has been flagged by users as a scam.

Reports indicate that the app is requesting card details and other sensitive information. Several schools have already issued warnings to parents, and App Store reviews confirm concerns about its legitimacy.

## **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



## 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?

- ✓ 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

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### **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 being 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** 

**②** 8:30−3:30pm — £37.59 per day Extended Day

**③** 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 <a href="https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/">https://www.bucksmusic.org/book-lessons-2/</a>

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

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

# 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/