

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
Half term	15 th February – 23 rd February	School closed
Inset Day	24 th February	School closed
PTA Bag2School collection	28 th February	Clothes donations
World Book Day	7 th March	More information in this newsletter
Year 6 Activity Week Meeting	10 th March	3:45pm information meeting
Year 4 Cuffley Active Learning Centre	17 th March	Consent and pay via ParentPay
Year 3 Celtic Harmony trip	25 th March	Consent and pay via ParentPay
PTA Easter Bake Sale	31 st March	

Letters / documents sent this week

Letter/Email	Action	
Year 3 Stig of the Dump	Read regarding consent	
Year 4 trip update	Read for info on new venue/timings	

Weekly Reflection

We have continued our theme of belonging and community. This week, we have focussed on the things that we can do as individuals that help to make a community strong.

Children in every class have had the chance to sign our class charter. This was the result of work that the school council and worship leaders completed two weeks ago. Children have pledged to:

- Be patient, put others first and wait their turn
- Be good listeners and respect other people's opinions
- Be kind to one another in what we say and do

A community is something special – something cool: Something like a house, a group, or even a school! A community is an amazing group of people together, Learning, having fun and making memories forever.



Roya, Y5

Weekly Highlights

Year 3

Year 3 have enjoyed writing about Neolithic settlement Skara Brae in their English lessons
Children have completed a practical maths investigation this week - Does the tallest person have the longest stride?
Y3 have been looking at and learning about the different types of dwellings people lived in during the three eras of the Stone Age

Year 4

Year 4 children have shown great curiosity this week when researching the 1665 plague in Eyam for the new English unit on writing a play. They have enjoyed recreating the events using drama. During guided reading the children have also reflected on ways to alleviate worries and anxieties after reading some extracts that deal with these issues.

Year 5

This week, Year 5 have linked our school theme of Community in to our RE Lesson. We learnt about Ummah which the Muslim community whether regional, national or international. We had interesting discussions, comparing our community to theirs and finished by creating a prayer or poem to summarise the importance of any community whether small or large. We are looking forward to applying all of our knowledge of this unit in the final lesson next week!

Year 6

This week in Year 6 we have been looking at Community and how we can be role models. They have reacted positively to discussions on taking responsibility for their decisions. It was also fantastic to see so many parents at this weeks consultations.

Uniform Reminder

Thank you for making sure your child is in full school uniform.

Children should be wearing:

General Uniform: <u>Grey</u> trousers, shorts, or skirt (not black); white polo shirt; and a red jumper or cardigan.

Footwear: Black shoes (no trainers).

Jewellery: Only a watch and one simple stud earring per ear are allowed. (Please remove these

for PE.)

Hair: Long hair should be tied back and kept off the face.

Please make sure all items are named. If there are special reasons why your child can't wear the uniform, email the school office. You can find our full uniform policy on the school website: <u>Uniform Policy</u>.

World Book Day

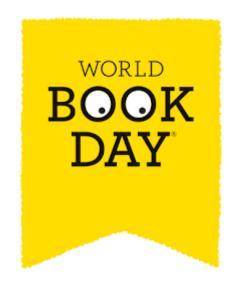
We are celebrating World Book day on <u>Friday 7th March</u> 2025! As we value reading very highly, it would be wonderful for all of us to take part in this special day to celebrate the joys of reading. During the day, the children will take part in a range of different reading-related activities, including reading to children from John Hampden School.

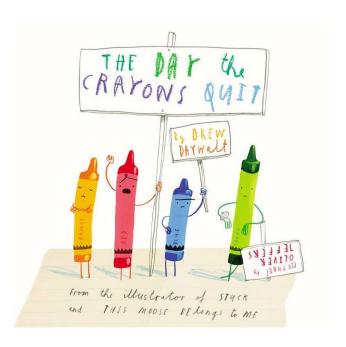
Favourite Book Character Costumes

We are asking for the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on World Book Day. Prizes will go for the most creative costume. **Please do not go to any great expense to provide a costume**. Many costumes can be made from things you already have with creative accessories! For example, children can simply dress up in their favourite colour and this will represent one of the crayon characters from 'The day the Crayons quit' by Oliver Jeffers.

Book tokens:

We have, once again, been fortunate to receive a £1 book token for every child in the school to spend on a new book! These will be given out on World Book Day, so keep an eye out in your child's bag.





Young Carers

This week, young carers had a fun time creating their own personalised 2025 calendars.

We took posed photo and turned them into a piece of artwork. The designs were very creative with some placing themselves on planets, clouds and mountains, while others focused on themes like football. The activity encouraged self-expression and artistic skills.

We ended up with a great variety of colourful calendars that everyone can enjoy throughout the year!



PTA News







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: <u>dbell@premier-education.com</u>

Phone: 01296 620 097

General Inquiries: Martyn

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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.