

# Wendover Church of England Junior School

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## Values

This was our last week looking at our value of Resilience. We shared the story of an Olympic athlete who had to overcome injury to compete again. They said that bouncing back was incredibly important, and the more that you do it the better you get at it. We have also thought about all our school values as we enter Advent.

## Kindness

The winner of our recent Wonder competition was Rhea Ward. She wrote a simple, yet thoughtful and inspiring piece about kindness. It is attached to this newsletter for you to read - thank you Rhea.

## School Council Fundraiser

Thank you again to everyone who has raised sponsorship towards the new adventure trail which is due to be installed over the Christmas holidays. We have nearly reached our target of £2,500 so if you have yet to pay in your money, please can you login to ParentPay over the weekend as we want to announce the final total and winning class in assembly next week. Your support of this project is much appreciated by everyone at WCEJS!

## Uniform

Now that the weather has turned colder, please ensure your child has a coat with them every day for outside play. Please also remember that boots are not suitable for school - all children should wear black school shoes (wellington boots can be worn for the journey to and from school in the case of inclement weather). In addition, leggings are not part of our school uniform; girls should wear tights for warmth. Finally, long hair (girls AND boys) must be tied up in a ponytail or plait with a simple, plain hairband for safety reasons. We would be grateful for your support in ensuring your child arrives at school in the correct uniform.

## PTA News

Thank you for your generosity and wonderful donations for this year's Christmas hampers. Our thanks also go to Halton Post Office for their donation of two lovely boxes of chocolates. Contributions for the hampers can be brought to school until Monday 11 December. And don't forget to return your raffle tickets to school by Wednesday 13 December to be in with a chance of winning!



## Letters Sent Home This Week

Nativity performances (Y3 only)

Dementia Friendly Christmas Celebration (Y6 only)

## Reminders

*School Council sponsorship money due via ParentPay by Friday 1/12*

*Y5 Ashmolean consent/payment due via ParentPay by Friday 1/12*

*Carol concert participants - please confirm attendance by Monday 4/12*

Christmas lunch orders due by Friday 8/12

Y6 residential trip payment 2 (£80) due via ParentPay by Friday 15/12

## Diary Dates

1 December	INSET day - school closed for children
4-8 December	Final sessions for all after school clubs
5 December	Y3/4 flu clinic
7 December	Carol concert, 6pm, St Mary's - ALL WELCOME
12 December	Y5 Ashmolean Museum trip
13 December	Y3 Nativity performance, 6pm
14 December	Y3 Nativity performances, 2pm & 6pm
14 December	PTA Christmas raffle draw
15 December	PTA pop-up tuck shop, 3.30pm
18 December	Christmas MUFTI day/AiP lunch
19 December	School closes for Christmas holidays, 1.15pm
3 January	INSET day - school closed for children
4 January	Children return to school

## KINDNESS

Kindness. When you think about that word, what comes to your mind?

Is it that time you held the door open for someone? Or perhaps it was when you picked up those books someone dropped? Whatever it was, it's important.

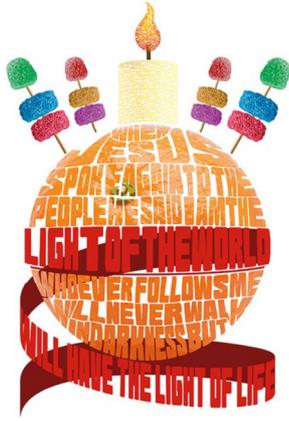
Kindness is important. We all have our good days and bad days. What would happen if no-one came to your rescue when you came crashing down to the floor? What about if no-one cheered you up when you were in one of those moods? It's not our fault if we're in need of help. We can't help it.

But what we can help is noticing when people need us. We're only human and we're prone to make mistakes. And that's okay. As long as we know there's someone who will pick us up when we fall and provide us with help when we need it the most.

When I think of kindness, I remember the time when I congratulated someone for winning and when I comforted a person who was on their own. It isn't much, I know. But for me, what's more important is that I made them happy. Because of me, it doesn't matter whether the thing I did was big or small. What matters is that because of me, that person was happier.

And to me, that's why kindness is important. Kindness.

*by Rhea Ward*



## Christingle Service

**Sunday 3rd December, 4pm  
at St Mary's Church, Wendover**

Please join us for this family friendly service.



Wendover's fabulous fair-trade shop is the ideal place for all your Christmas shopping. Advent calendars & candles, Christmas cards & decorations and beautiful gifts for all your family and friends.



Join us for **LATE NIGHT SHOPPING** and **FREE** mulled wine & mince pies on **Wednesday 6th December**.



- \* The Real Advent calendar
- \* Divine chocolate coins
- \* Earth squared bags and scarves
- \* Thought Clothing bamboo socks
- \* Lanka Kade wooden toys
- \* Emma's organic soaps
- \* Namaste and Fair to trade hand-made Christmas decorations

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