

# Wendover Church of England Junior School

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## Collective Worship

In collective worship this week we reflected on all of the stories we have explored so far this term and what we have learned from them. Monday will see us beginning our countdown to Christmas with our first Advent assembly.

## Road Safety

A reminder that cars should not be accessing the campus at peak times; if you are authorised to drive on to our site, please drive slowly and carefully, observing the zebra crossings. NB The campus speed limit is 10mph. Thank you.

## Cold Weather

Now that the colder weather has arrived, please ensure your child has a warm coat in school every day as outdoor play will continue unless we have a torrential downpour. Children should not be wearing boots to school; please support our uniform policy by ensuring that black school shoes are worn.

## Premier Sports – Play Active Club

The Play Active Club will be open from 1.15-6pm on Wednesday 19 December for their Christmas party. Please book online in the usual way (£11.50 per child).

## Letters Sent Home Since the Last Newsletter

Nativity performances (Y3 only)

External clubs (whole school)

BCC home/school transport consultation (whole school)

## Reminders

Y6 residential trip – instalment £80 due by Friday 14/12

## Diary Dates

7 December	INSET day – school closed for children
12 December	Y3 nativity, 2pm
13 December	Y3 nativity, 6pm
17 December	Christmas MUFTI day/AiP Christmas lunch
18 December	Christmas carol services at St Mary's, 10am (Y3/4) & 11am (Y5/6)
19 December	School closes at 1.15pm for Christmas holidays
2 January	INSET day – school closed for children
3 January	Children return to school at 8.40am
19 January	WENDOVER CROSS COUNTRY MEET – ALL WELCOME SO PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!

## PTA NEWS

### Family Christmas crafts – Friday 30 November 3.30 – 5.30

The school is buzzing with excited children making lovely Christmas crafts! With thanks to Fabric HQ for supplying all the materials for the event – our brilliant local resource for fabric, haberdashery and sewing classes!



## Christmas cards

Thank you for all your orders – there were some fantastic designs. Orders should be with you by 10 December.



## Christmas Hamper Raffle



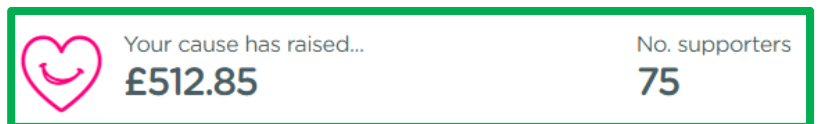
Thank you for all the lovely treats that you have donated to go into the Christmas hampers. Please continue to drop your goodies into the Christmas box in reception. Completed ticket stubs and money should be returned to the school by Thursday 13 December (cheques payable to WCEJS PTA please). If you require extra tickets, please ask at the school office. The winning tickets will be drawn on Thursday 13 December after the evening performance of the Year 3 nativity.

## Save the Date

- Thursday 31 January – children's bingo (straight from school)
- Friday 15 March – adult race night
- Saturday 29 June – Strawberry Fayre

## Easyfundraising

Before you start Christmas shopping, please sign up to Easyfundraising. It costs you nothing but raises the money for the school. Since our last update our cause has raised **£17.42** and gained **5 supporters**. Our target is £2,000 and 200 supporters (half the families and staff). Sign up for **free** - go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wendoverpta/>



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 5th 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
- \* Pachamama knitwear

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## Its Advent...! And so it must be Christingle...!

This Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, is Advent Sunday, the start of the season where we prepare for Christmas. And to mark the beginning of Advent, St Mary's Christingle Service will be taking place this Sunday at 4pm. It's a special Christingle, because it marks 50 years since The Children's Society brought the festival of Christingle to the UK.

It promises to be a fun and joyful service - with some great songs, lots of laughter and of course a whole load of Christingle oranges. All the proceeds will go to The Children's Society.

So please bring your family, friends and neighbours and let's come together this Sunday to celebrate the start of Advent and to support The Children's Society's work with vulnerable children and young people across the UK.

## Children's Activities and Services in December

And there's plenty more to look forward to at St Mary's in December:

December 16<sup>th</sup>, 7pm – Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Eve, 4pm – Crib Service

Christmas Day, 10am – All Age Communion Service

For more information on any of these services, please contact us at [info@stmaryswendover.org.uk](mailto:info@stmaryswendover.org.uk) or call 01296 623123.

Happy Advent from everyone at St Mary's!