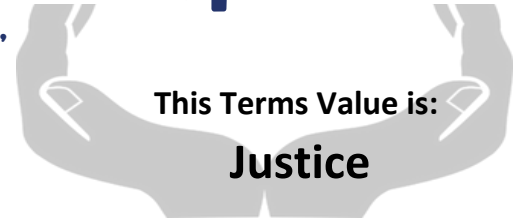


Wenlock's Weekly Round-Up

'With God's love, we are lights for the world.'



KEY DATES

- Friday 28th March - Y3 and Y4 PE Enrichment Day, please remember to send children into school wearing their PE kits
- Monday 17th March - Thursday 20th March - Ramadan Awareness Week
- Thursday 20th March - CYE Trip Information 3.30 - 4.00pm
- Thursday 20th March - IFTAR Event from 5.45 - 6.45pm, please sign up via Arbor Shop
- Friday 21st March - Comic Relief - please donate via this link: [Wenlock Comic Relief](#)
- Tuesday 25th March - Year 6 children to attend Chiltern Academy, Spring Musical - Frozen
- Wednesday 26th March to Friday 28th March - Year 5 residential trip - PGL
- Friday 28th March - Easter Disco (see poster for further details) book via Arbor
- Monday 31st March to Wednesday 2nd April - Year 6 residential trip - CYE
- Tuesday 1st April - Easter church service - 10am start. Year 4 parents are warmly invited to attend, St Mary's Church, Church Street, Luton LU1 3JF
- Wednesday 2nd April - Believe and Achieve awards, Y3 and Y4, 9.15 - 10.15am - invited families only
- Thursday 3rd April - Believe and Achieve awards, Y5 and Y6, 9.15 - 10.15am - invited families only
- **Monday 7th April to Tuesday 22nd April - Easter holidays - school closed**
- Wednesday 23rd April - Children return to school

COMIC RELIEF

RED NOSE DAY 2025 COMIC RELIEF

RED NOSE DAY

JOIN NOW!
21ST MARCH

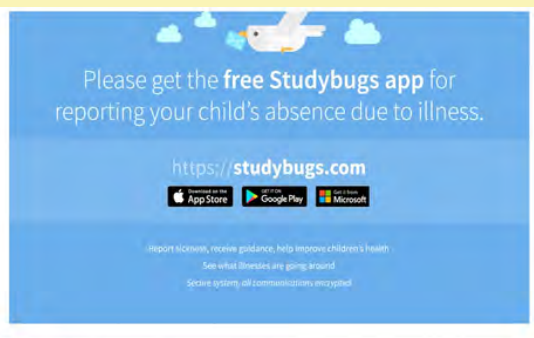
Wenlock CE Academy

Donate to our Just Giving Page below

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STUDYBUGS

To date, only 54% of Wenlock Parents have signed up to Studybugs. By Easter we would like the take up to be 75%. Please download the free Study Bugs app if you have not already done so.



ATTENDANCE

Well done to Alpha who achieved the highest attendance for the last week at 98.08%

The attendance for the whole school was 96.56%

Our School target is 97%

EASTER DISCOS

Ticket £3.50

Featuring:

FRIDAY 28TH MARCH 2025
YEARS 3 & 4 - 3.30 PM - 4.45PM
YEARS 5 & 6: 5.00 - 6.15PM

All ticket prices include a drink and a bag of gelatin-free sweets





Wenlock CE Academy Parent Questionnaire

We are thrilled to share the results of our recent parent questionnaire, which has provided us with invaluable insights into how we can continue to improve and support our children you. Your feedback is crucial in shaping the future of our school, and we are grateful for the time you took to share your thoughts with us.

An overwhelming 80.2% of parents feel their child is happy at school. This means the world to us, as we work hard daily to ensure children thrive.

84.2% said that they feel that this child is safe at school. We would love that figure to be 100%, so we will continue to work with you and the children on all the ways we can help them feel safe. Please come and speak to our safeguarding team if you have any concerns.

Areas for Improvement: While the feedback was overwhelmingly positive, some parents desired more extracurricular activities. We will also improve the wording of the SEND question. Later in the year, we have our Trust SEND audit, and a specific SEND questionnaire will be available.

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents who participated in the questionnaire. Together, we can continue to make Wenlock a place where everyone's light shines brightly.

Ms Olivia Burke
Head Teacher (DDSL)
DSAMAT Cluster Education Leader
Wenlock CE Academy



We are a Nut Free school for the safety of our children with nut allergies We would like to remind parents that most chocolate spread contains hazelnuts. Please can you remember to not put chocolate spread in the children's lunch boxes.

Electrical Recycling



We have an electrical recycling collection bin in the reception area of the school. Please see the poster below regarding which items can be recycled.

Uniform Exchange



Level Trust are always grateful for donations of pre-loved school uniform. There is a blue container in our school reception area which has details of uniform requested where items can be placed.
Thank-you!

Road Safety



To keep children safe, please ensure that children are taught how to cross the road safely, especially outside school and where there is heavy traffic.
A reminder that drivers must not stop on the yellow lines outside of the school.

Snacks



Many thanks for sending your children in with fruit and vegetables for snack times and for remembering not to send your children in with nut related products.
Grapes and cherry tomatoes should be sent cut into quarters length-ways to avoid choking.

Don't forget to check our our facebook and X accounts for all the latest information from Team Wenlock!



PARENT INFORMATION

PE TIMETABLE

Year group	PE Day	PE Day
Year 3 - Alpha	Tuesday	Friday
Year 3 - Omega	Tuesday	Friday
Year 3 - Genesis	Tuesday	Friday
Year 4 - Aurora	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 4 - Alina	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 4 - Vesper	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5 - Lunar	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5 - Solar	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5 - Stellar	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 6 - Aviary	Tuesday	Friday
Year 6 - Arboreal	Tuesday	Friday
Year 6 - Aquarium	Tuesday	Friday

HOMEWORK GRIDS

Year 3, 4 and 5 homework grids for Spring term are live on the website and they can be found under Home Learning section. Year 6 homework has been sent home this week. This is due back to their class teacher on Tuesday.

Spare Swimming Kits

If you have any spare swimming costumes or swimming trucks you would like to donate to the school then please drop them off in the School Office.

We would be most grateful for any donations you may have. Thank-you very much indeed.



Dinner Money

Please top up dinner money payments in advance of your child having school dinner.

The cost of school dinners is as follows:
£2.75 per day or £13.75 per week.

If you have a query relating to dinner money payment, you can contact the finance team on:

schooldinner@wenlockacademy.co.uk

17th -
20th
March



School Iftar

As a school, we will be supporting the community and provide a school Iftar. All families are welcome.
Thursday 20th March
5.45 - 6.45pm
Book on Arbor

RAMADAN AWARENESS WEEK

Collective Worship

We will be taking part in collective worships about Ramadan, explaining what it is and why it is important as well as an assembly led by our R.E Ambassador.



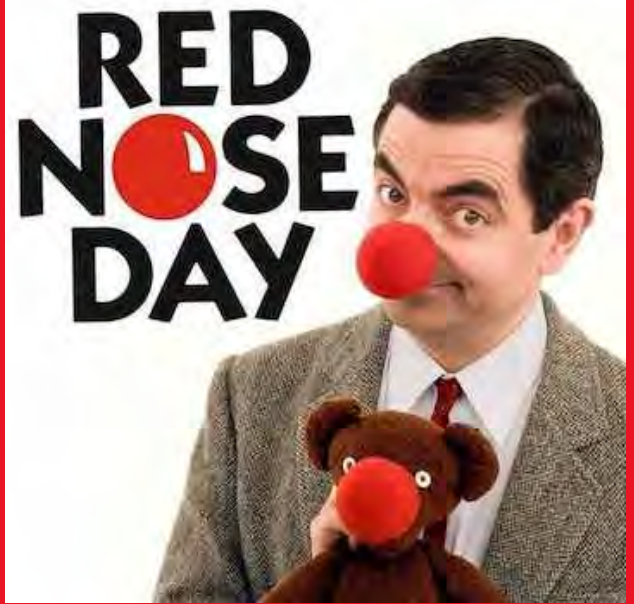
Additional activities

Within our classes, we will be taking part in various activities such as discussions, word searches and arts and crafts.



RED NOSE DAY 2025

COMIC RELIEF



Come to school dressed in your best 80s outfits OR wear something Red.



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RED NOSE DAY

Friday 21st March

**Battered Fish & Chips
Cheese & Tomato Wrap & Chips
& Beans
Jacket Potato
Hot tomato Pasta
With
Special Red Nose Day**



ASPENS

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Ticket
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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

ROBLOX



Roblox is one of the most popular video games among children. In 2020, the game's developers claimed that more than half of the USA's children had played it. As a 'sandbox' title, the game lets players create their own gaming experiences with Roblox Studio to build custom levels, which can then be shared online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ONLINE PLAY RISKS

Because Roblox connects random players into an environment with anonymous users who could use the platform for nefarious reasons. For example, some role-play games are used for online dates and mature role play, which could expose youngsters to inappropriate messages in the public chat box.

MATURE CONTENT

Content is difficult to moderate throughout Roblox, due to the number of games available. This is particularly notable on smaller games and experiences, but in summary, some of the games and experiences offered on the platform contain age-inappropriate content that could easily be seen by young players.

IN-GAME SPENDING

The majority of games within Roblox have extensive monetisation options, usually through season passes or microtransactions. Purchases can range in value from a few pennies up to much larger sums of money. While some games offer a lot of content via purchases, others can offer very little for real world money, causing younger players to end up out of pocket.

ANONYMOUS PLAYERS

The anonymity of users can leave players vulnerable to bullying, harassment, and predatory behaviour. Without the right parental controls or monitoring, users can connect with each other via personal messages or friend requests, and it is very difficult to know who's behind a username in this vast online world.

RISK OF ADDICTION

Roblox games can feature rewarding or satisfying mechanics that keep players coming back – or persuade them to stay logged-in for much longer. Like most games, they focus on interactivity, with constant rewards via in-game unlocks and currencies, which can sometimes lead to an addictive need to remain online for long periods of time.

SCAMS

Many of the games on Roblox feature collectible items, pets, or characters. These objects, while digital, are worth a lot of real money on certain online markets. Scammers will attempt to trade with younger users in the hopes of getting rare items that can be sold for real money, manipulating the child into handing them over, usually via misleading information.

Advice for Parents & Educators

MONITOR THE CONTENT

While Roblox does implement plenty of moderation tools and parental controls, it's up to parents and guardians to monitor the types of games a child or impressionable player is experiencing. If a youngster wants to play Roblox, be sure to check out which specific games they want to play within it, and get a good idea of their content.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TOOLS

Use the parental controls within the game itself and teach youngsters how to report and block other players. Knowing the powers within their reach will make Roblox a safer, happier experience. You can set age ranges for who's allowed to contact you, close public chat boxes, block spending, and even make your Roblox profile completely private. All these options are helpful in cutting off bad actors from engaging with children.

PLAY TOGETHER

Consider playing Roblox with the children in your care. There are few more effective ways to see how monetisation works, gauge whether the game could lead to addictive behaviours, or even witness how interaction between players works, than sitting down and trying the game for yourself. This should help you figure out whether it's suitable for particular children.

TEACH ONLINE BEHAVIOURS

Have an open conversation about the risks of online play and how to spend money wisely. By being honest and giving tips on how a younger user can protect themselves, you can empower them to not only take care of themselves, but others too. Any user can be reported to Roblox moderators by other players for behaving inappropriately. With this knowledge, younger players can be aware of what to look for and help prevent it.

Meet Our Expert

Dan Lipscombe is a videogame journalist and author of over 20 books on gaming, including books on Minecraft, Fortnite, Roblox, and more. For 15 years he has been writing about his passion for gaming. When he's not playing games, he's talking about them at GAMINGbible.



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FOOD
FESTIVAL
By Aspens

DELICIOUS DESSERTS

3rd April

Chicken Fajita Fiesta
Or

Mac & Cheese Please
with a Side of Peas

And

Apple Scrapple Sponge

Jelly Jive

Brookie-O Cookie

HUMANS OF
LUTON

Don't bin them, recycle your old electricals

Anything with a plug, battery
or cable can be recycled and
turned into something new.

Bag up your electricals and
bring them to your school.
The school with the most
electricals collected will
have a chance to win a
cash prize!

Scan or search 'Recycle Your Electricals'
to find your local recycling points.



Together with

Luton



This term we will be focussing in school on the value JUSTICE. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

TALK TOGETHER about Justice

Justice means more than making things 'fair'. In order for people to live together well in a just community it is important to have rules or laws that everybody sticks to. Imagine if there were no rules for people driving cars on the road!

As a family you may want to talk about:

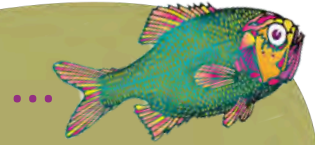
- why it is important to have rules and laws
- rules or laws that you don't think are **just** (or fair)
- family rules that you think are important

THINK TOGETHER Words of Wisdom

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."
Martin Luther King Jr



READ TOGETHER The Story of Jonah



Some folk always seem to be arguing or moaning and groaning. Sometimes they moan about the weather, sometimes they moan about their family, and sometimes they just moan. In fact, they are so busy moaning about EVERYTHING that they forget to be thankful for ANYTHING.

Jonah was just like that! He moaned all the time. So when God asked him to go to Ninevah and tell the people there that he was angry about their stealing, lying, fighting and their wicked ways, of course Jonah moaned and groaned. "Not Ninevah, please! Anywhere but Ninevah! We have never got on with that nasty bunch. Please Lord, send someone else." And just in case God asked him again Jonah, quick as his legs could carry him, ran to the dock and asked the captain of the nearest boat to take him to the furthest place from Ninevah. The nearest boat was the Jolly Dragon and her captain was called Wise Captain Silas. The Jolly Dragon set sail on a calm sea under a clear blue sky but within a day found herself caught up in a fierce and frightening storm. Captain Silas knew immediately that something was not right. He went to find his passenger, who, surprise, surprise, was below deck moaning to one of the sailors. "It's my fault," groaned Jonah. "Throw me into the sea and the storm will blow over." Wise Captain Silas knew Jonah was right and so to save his ship and all the crew, gave orders to toss Jonah overboard that minute. A huge fish saw Jonah sinking slowly to the bottom of the sea, and he opened his great mouth wide, and swallowed him whole!

Jonah had only just enough time to recover from the shock when he found himself shooting through the air and onto a beach very near to Ninevah. The great fish had spat him out and swum away.

Even Jonah knew now that there was no way out. He picked himself up, shook

off the seaweed and walked slowly into the centre of the city. There he did what God had told him at the start and explained to the people of Ninevah that God was sad about their **injust** behaviour and how he wanted them to change their ways. To Jonah's amazement, that's exactly what they did.

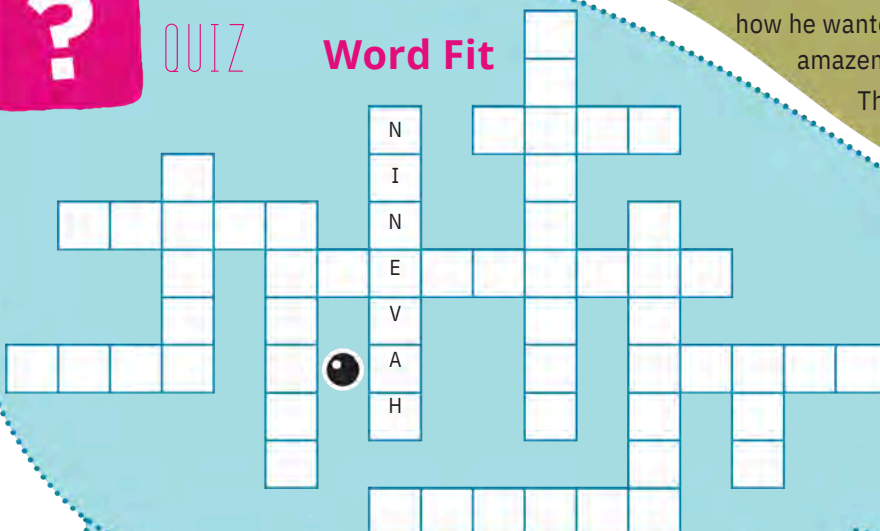
They fasted, they prayed for God's forgiveness and even thanked him for sending Jonah.

Bible story based on Book of Jonah



QUIZ

Word Fit



- ANGRY
- CALM
- FISH
- GROANED
- JONAH
- GOD
- PRAYED
- STORM
- MOANER
- OVERBOARD
- SWALLOWED



Lady Justice

Lady Justice is one of the most famous landmarks in London. It is a bronze statue that stands on the domed roof of the Old Bailey. This building houses the central criminal courts where people who are accused of breaking the law are tried by a judge and jury to find out if they are 'guilty' and should be punished or 'not guilty' and can go free.



Lady Justice was designed to be a symbol of justice: in her left hand she carries the scales of truth and fairness and in her right hand a double edged sword representing the power of reason and justice.



New laws are passed every year by the government. Ask each member of the family to think of a law which they think the government should pass. Talk about your ideas and how your new law would make a difference.



FASCINATING FACTS

The World Village

If the world was a village, with 100 people living in it:

- 61 people would come from Asia, 13 from Africa, 13 from the Americas, 12 from Europe and 1 from Australasia
 - 26 of the people would be under 15 and just 8 of them over 64
 - half of the people would speak one of just 8 languages – and the most common language would be Chinese
 - 82 village people have access to safe drinking water
 - 17 people would not be able to read or write
 - 53 villagers would have less than £1.30 a day to live on
 - there would be 18 cars, 15 computers, 61 mobile phones
- Talk with your family about ...
- what you find surprising about these statistics
 - what we take for granted in our lives that many people live without
 - what you think is unjust
 - what you think could be done to make the world a more just place for everyone

* Taken from 2012 statistics inspired by © If the World Were a Village by David J. Smith, 1990.



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE



Design a weighing machine

Before electronic weighing machines were invented, scales often had two pans that were balanced when each held an equal weight.

Design and make a simple balance from junk materials that can weigh small objects.

