

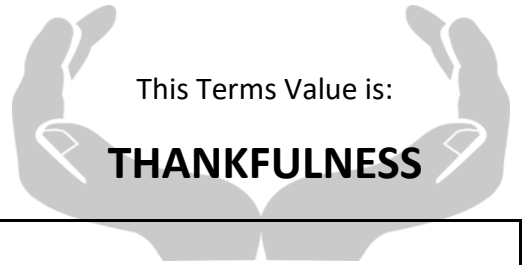


# Wenlock's Weekly Round Up

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

This Term's Value is:

**THANKFULNESS**



## Key Dates

Friday 4th October 2024

Wednesday 9th October

Friday 11th October

Monday 14th October

Tuesday 15th October

Thursday 17th October

Thursday 24th October

22nd November

28th—1st Nov

Monday 4th November

St Albans Harvest Service—Selected children

Family Quiz Night—7.00 to 9.00pm—See poster below

Flu Vaccination team for children—Return forms by 7th October

Year 2 Open morning—9.30 to 10.30

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Drama performance—year 3

Harvest Service at St Mary's Church—Y5 parents invited

Half Term

Inset Day—School closed

**Tuesday 5th November**

**All children return to school - Autumn 2**

Wednesday 6th November

Friday 8th November

Tuesday 12th November

Friday 15th November

2nd December

5th December

13th December

17th December

18th December

19th December

Year 2 Open morning—9.30 to 10.30

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Odd Sock Day—See poster below

Children in Need Day

Y3 to Celtic Harmony - more details to follow

Winter Disco

Wenlock Winter Wonderland in School

Nativity at St Mary's Church—Y3 Parents invited

Y3 & 4 Believe and Achieve awards

Y5 & 6 Believe and achieve awards

**Friday 20th December**

**Last day of term 1:45 finish**

### Attendance

Well done to **Solar** who achieved the highest attendance for last week at 97.33%

The attendance for the whole school was 93.18%

Our School target is 97%

### Studybugs

We're pleased to announce that Wenlock has introduced a new, more efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence due to illness, called Studybugs.

If you haven't already, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school.



Please get the **free Studybugs app** for reporting your child's absence due to illness.

<https://studybugs.com>



Report sickness, receive guidance, help improve children's health

See what illnesses are going around

Secure system: all communications encrypted



### **No ParentMail at Wenlock CE Academy**

Just a reminder that we do not use ParentMail at Wenlock CE Academy.

If anyone pays money to ParentMail in error, please contact them directly. The school cannot refund any payments made to ParentMail.

### **Homework Grids Autumn term 1**

Year 3, 4 & 5 homework grids are live on the new school website and they will be found on the year group pages.

Year 6 Homework has been sent home this week. This is due back to their class teacher on Tuesday.

### **Snacks**

Wenlock operates a healthy eating policy and we only allow fruits or vegetables to be eaten at play time for a snack. **Grapes should be sent cut into quarters lengthways to avoid choking.**

This does not include cereal bars or fruit strips. Children also must not have nuts in school at break or lunch due to allergies within our school community

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.

### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

There is a vacancy for a Parent Governor at school.

If anyone is interested in finding out more, please email the school:

[admin@wenlockacademy.co.uk](mailto:admin@wenlockacademy.co.uk)

Thank you.

### **Flu Vaccinations**

The children's flu vaccinations take place on Monday 14th October.

The consent Forms should be returned to the school by Monday 7th October as these will be collected by the Flu Vaccination Team the following morning.

It's important to prevent the circulation of flu to protect those who are at risk and minimize further impact on the NHS.

### **New School Website Launch**

The new school website has now been launched! The new website will be where you can find all the key information about the school, along with our new-look year group pages and the pick and mix homework grids. [Wenlock CE Academy - Home \(wenlockacademy.co.uk\)](http://wenlockacademy.co.uk)

# PARENT INFORMATION

## PE Days

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

## Transition to High School

Luton schools and academies are inviting you to visit their open days throughout September and October before applying for places by 31 October 2024, see [High School and Academy Open Days 2025](#)

For further information please email [admissions@luton.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@luton.gov.uk)

## Cashpot for Schools

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2<sup>nd</sup> September and 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

**INTRODUCING CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS**  
You scan we donate ££s

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## Dinner money

Please top up dinner money payments in advance of your child having school dinner. The cost for school dinner is as follows: £2.75 per day or £13.75per week.

If you have a query relating to dinner money payment, you can contact the finance team on [schooldinner@wenlockacademy.co.uk](mailto:schooldinner@wenlockacademy.co.uk)



The background features a watercolor illustration of autumn-themed elements. At the top left, there are several leaves in shades of purple, red, and orange. To the right, a large, light-colored pumpkin is partially visible. The bottom left shows a greenish-grey pumpkin, and the bottom right features a yellow pumpkin and a small branch with red berries. The overall style is soft and artistic.

WENLOCK CE ACADEMY

# HARVEST

*Appeal*

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR  
DONATIONS

**DRY GOODS  
PASTA/RICE  
TINNED ITEMS**

Please send by 18th  
October

**Open to Wenlock families  
from the 21st October in  
the Serenity room**

YEAR 6 PRESENTS



# QUIZ NIGHT

**BRING YOUR OWN DRINK & FOOD**

**DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM**

**QUIZ STARTS AT 7:00PM**

**FRIDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2024**

Have a fun night full of challenges on our Family Quiz Night to help fundraise for our Year 6 end of year trip.

**TEAMS OF UP TO 8 PEOPLE**

**£5 PER PERSON**

**PAY ON ARBOR**



**WIN SOME GREAT PRIZES ON THE RAFFLE TOO!**



# GHOST STORY COMPETITION

CATEGORIES AGE 8-12 13-16

LIVE IN LU1-LU5 POSTCODES

SEND US A SPINE TINGLING STORY 1500  
WORDS MAX

DEADLINE: FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2024

40 ENTRIES  
LAST YEAR

PLEASE SCAN QR FOR ENTRY FORM

boo!



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£50 1ST PRIZE  
£30 2ND.  
£20 3RD





 **ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE**

With the support of



This **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK** we are holding

**ODD SOCKS DAY** on  
**TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024**



Come to school wearing your odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!



**#OddSocksDay**  
**#AntiBullyingWeek**  
**#ChooseRespect**

If you're worried about bullying you can speak to ...

- Your Parents
- Your Class Teacher
- Anyone In The Pastoral Team
- The Office Staff
- Or Any Other Member Of Staff In Your School



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PARTNER



# Online Safety Update

## What Parents & Educators Need to Know about QR CODE SCAMS

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

QR code scams (also known as 'quishing') involve the malicious use of Quick Response (QR) codes to deceive people into revealing personal information or downloading harmful software. These scams exploit QR codes' convenience and widespread use – for example, in adverts, restaurant menus and public notices, with criminals installing fake QR codes which direct users to bogus sites.

### PAYMENT SYSTEMS

Cybercriminals may seek to change a QR code that's related to a legitimate payment service, such as in a restaurant. If a customer scans the QR code expecting to order and pay for goods or services (such as a meal in this case), they may be directed to a site controlled by the scammers. Entering their payment details would then allow the criminals to defraud them.

### DISCOUNTED GOODS

A poster promises goods or services at a discounted cost, requiring people to scan a QR code to register and pay. The poster, however, is malicious, and there is no discount. Again, providing your payment details would allow the criminal to access your funds. This scam is reasonably common and is often found in car parks in major cities.

### PRIZE DRAWS

A QR code is provided for a prize draw, advertised on a poster which is likely on display in a public space. Scanning the QR code will result in being asked to provide further information (such as your email address, name, address or phone number), which is then used by criminals for further social engineering attacks or even identity fraud.

### WIFI CONNECTION

Scanning a QR code may be the means of connecting to the Wi-Fi network in a hotel or other public area. This is usually legitimate, but if the QR code is a fake, it could result in criminals viewing your browsing history and even your login details. These can subsequently be used for phishing attacks and identity fraud – and even financial fraud, if they're able to access your banking credentials.

### FAKE EVENTS AND TICKETS

A poster highlights news regarding an upcoming event, or regarding an additional allocation of tickets for a sold-out concert or other performance. It directs the user to scan a QR code for more information, to register or possibly to pay. The QR code then leads to a fake site hosted by scammers, aiming to gather data on the user for future attacks or to exploit or defraud them immediately.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### BE VIGILANT

QR codes are becoming more prevalent, and cyber criminals are increasingly seeking to use them to steal information and commit fraud. As such, it is important to remain aware of the risks. Always consider these safety concerns before scanning a QR code and avoid doing so unless you're certain it's legitimate. Be sure to keep your device's operating system updated as well, to keep you protected from known safety risks.

### CHECK FOR SIGNS OF TAMPERING

Where QR codes are printed or displayed, check for any sign of tampering: as a sticker with a new QR code being placed over the top of the previous code, for instance. Where there are signs of tampering, you should consult a member of staff (if you're in a hotel or restaurant, for example) or simply avoid scanning the code altogether.

### CHECK THE URL

Most phones now show the web address or URL which a QR code connects to, and they typically require users to accept being taken to this address before progressing. Check that the web address matches that of the site or service you're expecting to access via the QR code you've scanned. If it seems dubious in any way, don't click on it.

### USE TRUSTWORTHY SOURCES

Consider the source of the QR code and its trustworthiness. A QR code for payment in a restaurant, for example, is likely to be legitimate if you can see it printed on every menu; a random poster pinned up in the street or in a building's corridor is more likely to be fraudulent. If you're unsure, err on the side of caution and don't scan the code.

### USE THE DEFAULT QR CODE SCANNER

Most mobile devices come with the ability to scan QR codes built into the camera app. Where possible, you should seek to use this default functionality and avoid the use of third-party QR scanning apps which may have themselves been tampered with or compromised. Stick to reputable methods.

### Meet Our Expert

Gary Henderson is the Director of IT at Millfield, a large independent boarding school in Somerset, as well as a member of the Digital Futures Group, Vice Chair of the ISC Digital Advisory Group and an Association of Network Managers in Education (ANME) Ambassador.



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# THANKFULNESS

HOME SCHOOL VALUES

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

## TALK TOGETHER about Thankfulness

'Count your blessings' is an old saying, but it reminds us to be **thankful** and not take things for granted.

As a family you may like to talk about

- Remembering to let other people know when you are **thankful**
- Not taking things for granted
- Practical ways of showing gratitude
- How it feels when someone **thanks you!**

## THINK TOGETHER Words of Wisdom

"God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds today.

Have you used one to say **thank you?**"

*Anon*



## READ TOGETHER...

### The Man Who Came Back

Jesus was travelling along the dusty roads towards Jerusalem. At each village he was welcomed by people, happy to see him and listen to his teaching. But today, as he entered the village he saw in the distance a small group standing apart from the crowd. They were calling out, "Jesus, Master, help us, please make us well." These poor people had a disease called leprosy. They were terribly ill and no-one in the village wanted to go near them.

But Jesus didn't ignore them. He stood among them and prayed for them. As each of them went on his way they began to notice that their whole bodies were healing up. They were so excited that they immediately rushed off to share their good news. Well, nine of them did. The tenth turned and fell on his knees in front of Jesus and **thanked** him for what he had done.

"I healed ten people with leprosy today", said Jesus to the man. "Where are the others?". But then he smiled "Well at least you came back to say **thank you!**"

Bible story based on Luke 17:11-19

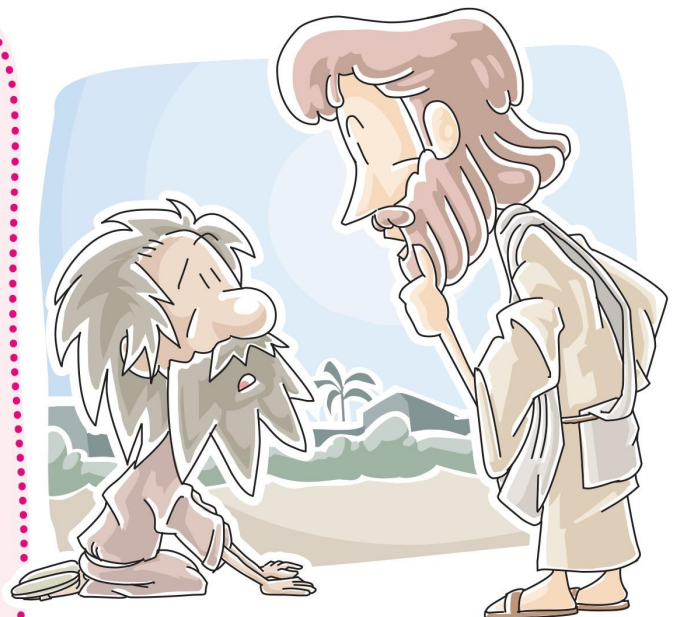


## QUIZ

### Jumbled Words

Unjumble the words (that are known as anagrams), to discover words from the story.

- r sleep \_\_\_\_\_
- per day \_\_\_\_\_
- net \_\_\_\_\_
- sly rope \_\_\_\_\_
- heed al \_\_\_\_\_
- had kent \_\_\_\_\_
- sue js \_\_\_\_\_



## FASCINATING FACTS

Have you ever thought about how many people we have to **thank** for some of the everyday things that we take for granted? For example the milk we drink.

**Thank** you Mum & Dad for buying the milk ,

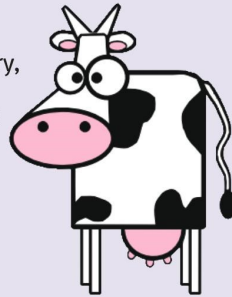
**Thank** you supermarket workers for stacking the shelves and operating the cash tills,

**Thank** you lorry driver for bringing cartons of milk to the supermarket,

**Thank** you workers in the packaging factory,

**Thank** you milk tanker driver for collecting the milk from the farms and bringing it to the factory,

**Thank** you farmers for milking the cows.



## ★ HALL OF FAME

### Laura Trott Track Cyclist

At the age of just 20 Laura won two gold medals in Track Cycling at the London 2012 Olympics. Then four years later in Rio, she won another two, making her the first British woman in any sport to win four Olympic gold medals.

It wasn't easy – as a child she suffered from asthma but enjoyed and competed in trampolining until she had to give up due to breathing problems. Then as a young teenager she took up cycling and at 17 won a junior title racing in the British championships.

Her inspiration to train and succeed as a cyclist came from a meeting with Sir Bradley Wiggins for which she will always be **thankful**. She chatted to him and wore his gold medal for a few moments. It felt amazing!

After her success in the Rio 2016 Olympics, Laura talked about her training programme – it is not just her hard work that brings success. She really is **thankful** for the whole team - managers, coaches, doctors, mechanics, therapists and so many more people - who encourage, motivate and support her.



## HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

### Thank you chain

Think about how an everyday item reaches you: Where does it come from? Who was involved in making it? Who should you thank?

Make a **thank you chain** and bring it to school to hang in the Challenge Gallery.



## FAMILY FOCUS

### Time to say "Thank you"

Draw a clock face for your family to fill in together.

Choose one day and ask every one to think, as the hours tick by, about one thing in each hour that they would like to say **thank** you for.

Draw a picture of what you are **thankful** for in each segment.

