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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to our STARs (Success, Teamwork, Aspiration, Resilience, Respect and Responsibility) of the week from each class. The class teacher chooses one child each week who has demonstrated one or more of our core values. last week's winners were:

Kestrel Belle

Sparrowhawk Bella

Buzzard Kelly

Another new face joined us this morning as Kestrels welcomed George into their class. He is settling in very quickly thanks to the excellent example set by the rest of Kestrels.

Please send your child/ren in with any dried/tinned goods that you can spare, ready to be collected by Fr Peter on Wednesday afternoon at our Harvest Service. Some of the children from each class will be sharing prayers they have written and sharing their excellent singing of some of their favourite Harvest songs. Do please join us at school if you are able.

Such is the progress being made in Writing at Bury in KS2, that Mrs Braun has been chosen to present at a Local Authority English Conference on Wednesday. This has come about as a result of the local authority English advisor seeing the quality of work first-hand through spending some time with us throughout the last academic year.

Keep your eyes peeled on the diary dates below – lots of signs of Christmas fast approaching and lots of dates to add to your diaries.

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the FoBS Bury Boo Fest (disco), available from Kim or Callie. Bury Boo Fest is this Friday 2nd November 5 pm until 6.30pm in the school hall.



Friends Of Bury School (FOBS) AGM

29th October 19:30 at school – TODAY

FOBS is a tremendous asset to us here at Bury and that only happens because so many of you give up your time to support us. Love Bury was a huge success and has enabled us to offer expert music lessons across the whole school. With the current financial climate, the additional fundraising is a huge benefit to the children here and allows us to offer things that other schools locally cannot compete with – thanks in no small part to your efforts.

With the move to a National Funding Formula (NFF) in 2020 all schools less than 210 in size are being hit financially; in fact all schools in the Rother Valley will have less money than the year previously as a result of the NFF. This is just one of the reasons why it is so important that we have such a great team here that all want the best for your children. The team I refer to is parents, governors, staff and villagers. Love Bury is not just a financial support for us, it is a chance for people to see the school community, both new and old families coming together to be part of it. We all appreciate there is lots to do, but I cannot stress to you enough how valuable your support is to us and how much it is appreciated by all here at school.

If you feel you can help in any way at all, please join us at the AGM tonight or contact FOBS directly to offer your support. FOBS@bury.school I look forward to seeing you later.

Please do add your views to <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>. It is incredibly helpful to us for you to share the positives of what is going on at Bury CE Primary; if you have the time and would like to share the good work we are doing then please do add your feedback. Excerpt below taken from ParentView website.

Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about your child's school, from the quality of teaching to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. The survey can be completed at any time; you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected.

We will use the information you provide when making decisions about which schools to inspect and when.

Click 'Give your views' to register and complete a survey to help your child's school improve.

It is parents' responsibility to inform the school of any changes to consent to administer medicine.

It is parents' responsibility to keep us informed of changes to your personal data and where the school process personal data solely on the basis that you have consented to the processing, you have the right to withdraw that consent.



Diary Dates

I will try to give you as much notice as possible about forthcoming events at school. We will try not to change dates and times, but sometimes we do need to due to circumstances beyond our control.

Please keep checking these dates and times as I will update them every week. New dates added are in bold.

| Date | Event |
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| Wednesday 31 st October | 14:45 Harvest Assembly with Fr Peter |
| Thursday 1 st November | AM Fittleworth joining Buzzard Class for a poetry workshop with Rachel Long |
| Friday 2 nd November | FOBS Autumn Party 17:30 – 19:00 |
| Thursday 15 th November | Flu vaccinations for years R - 5 |
| Tuesday 20 th November | KS2 to Butser Ancient Farm |
| Thursday 22 nd November | Buzzard Class to Power of Pictures Workshop |
| Wednesday 5 th December | Singing to the WI (Class TBC) |
| Monday 10 th – 14 th December | Book Fair at school |
| Tuesday 11 th December | 14:30 – Kestrel Class Nativity |
| Thursday 13 th December | 9:30 – Kestrel Class Nativity |
| Thursday 13 th December | PM Singing at Bury Village Hall (whole school – collected from hall) |
| Friday 14 th December | Kestrels singing at Tesco |
| Tuesday 18 th December | Christmas service at St John's – children collected from church (everyone welcome) |
| Wednesday 19 th December | INSET |
| Wednesday 5 th June | West Sussex Music – Little Big Sing held at Bury |
| July 22 nd and 23 rd | INSET |

Thank you for your continued support.

Thomas Moore,
Headteacher