



Bury C.E. Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to our Star of the Week winners from each class. The class teacher chooses one child each week who has demonstrated one or more of our core values of: courage, humility, wisdom, compassion and perseverance. Last week's winners were:

Little Owl	Lochlan
Kestrel	Sienna
Sparrowhawk	Dylan
Buzzard	George

World Book Day

A couple of quotes from last week's World Book Day. First, from author Jeanne Willis, "Oh, I absolutely loved it! Please thank your staff for making me feel so welcome. Best school I've been to in a very long time. It is so lovely to have only 72 children, makes it much more intimate and less about crowd control. Can't fault the view either."

Then, at the end of the day from one of our parents at the book signing in response to all of the children excitedly getting their books, "It's like being in a sweet shop but with books." This really summed up how much of an effect these author visits can have and just give that extra boost to what we are trying to build



with our children all of the time. A massive thank you to all of you who brought your children back in to buy books - further building that love of reading.

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Easter Service

Ordinarily, Fr Peter would have joined us for an Easter Service in the last week of term and/or Sparrowhawks would have led us with an Easter production. This year is a little different. Unfortunately, Fr Bundock who has been stepping in whilst we are in interregnum is unavailable and Sparrowhawks are combining with Buzzards for a joint summer production. Very kindly, Splash have agreed to put on a special Easter service for us at 14:45 on March 21st. This will be similar in style to Splash's usual assemblies and, as usual, parents are welcome to attend.

Sponsored Read-a-thon

Every time I check with Mrs Braun the total appears a little greater. We are now over £1300 raised which gets the school over £260 to spend on books. A huge thank you to everyone who has helped us to reach this total.

Red Nose Day (Sparrowhawks and Buzzards)

As Sparrowhawks and Buzzards are not in school for Red Nose Day, they can come to school in their outfits on Friday 22nd (which is also Lego Day).

Lego Day

March 22nd is another Lego Day for everyone. Once again, parents are very welcome to join their children for their session if possible. Timings as follows for a bird themed event this time...

Bury School Lego Workshop

9am – 10am

Reception, Year 5 and Year 6 – (Little Owls and Buzzards)

10:30-11:30am

Year 1 and Year 2 – (Kestrels)

1:45pm – 2:45pm

Year 3 and Year 4 – (Sparrowhawks)

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening is taking place next week on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please book your slots through the MCAS app. Select Parents Evenings from the menu, in the parents evening drop down box select the date you would like to attend, click on the red box with the teachers name and choose your slot.

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With clubs taking place in the hall, the meetings will take place in the classrooms (Miss Webb will be in the art/DT room). Please come to school via the main office.

Covid Guidance

Most Covid guidance has now been withdrawn. The exception can be found on the NHS website [here](#).

PE and Bury Rangers

Please ensure your child has a pair of wellies or outdoor boots that can be worn just for the Bury Rangers session – they will need another pair of shoes for the rest of the day.

A reminder of what children should be wearing for PE Kit:

PE Kit:

Green Bury T-shirt, black shorts (tracksuits may be worn for outside lessons), plimsolls or trainers. Plus shin pads and mouth-guards for Sparrowhawks and Buzzards

Children to attend school in PE kit or Bury Rangers clothes for the relevant days* as follows:

	Bury Rangers	PE
Monday		
Tuesday	Little Owls	
Wednesday	Sparrowhawks	Everyone
Thursday	Kestrels	
Friday	Buzzards	

*There will of course be times when these days need to change and we will give as much notice as possible

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.

Friday 12th January 2024-Friday 22nd March

FOBS Lego Workshop

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Thursday 7 th March	Jeanne Willis author visit
Tuesday 12 th March	FGB
Friday 15 th March	Red Nose Day* and KS2 visit to Pulborough Brooks as part of their John Muir Award
Tuesday 19 th March	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 20 th March	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 20 th March	SPLASH
Friday 22 nd March	FOBS Lego Workshop and KS2 Red Nose Day
Monday 25 th March	SPLASH Easter Special
Friday 29 th March	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 th May	FGB
Monday 13 th – Thursday 16 th May	KS2 SATs
Wednesday 15 th May	SPLASH
Wednesday 22 nd May	Sports Morning
Monday 3 rd June	School Photos
Friday 14 th June	Sussex Day
Wednesday 3 rd July	Transition Day
Tuesday 9 th July	FGB
Wednesday 10 th July – square brackets = evening show only	KS2 Production (2pm and 6pm [Sparrowhawk Parents])
Thursday 11 th July – as above	KS2 Production (9am and 6pm [Buzzard Parents])
Tuesday 16 th July	Bee Day (more info from Miss Willett to follow)
Monday 22 nd July	INSET 4
Tuesday 23 rd July	INSET 5

Birthdays

Children can wear their own clothes for the day (or a day either side of the holiday) when it is their birthday. Please do not send the children in with cakes or sweets to share. In its place, we thought that instead of sweets it would be a good idea to buy a book for the school/class. The children then present the book to the school in assembly before placing it in our school library (although most ask for it to be shared in their class first). Please do inscribe a message in the book so that it keeps reminding the child of their birthday every time either they, or a friend, borrow the book. The link below is an Amazon wish list where the staff and children have selected some books that they would like for school.

[Birthday Book wish list](#)

Please do not feel constrained by the list, nor feel you have to get them through Amazon –locally we have great bookshops in Arundel and Petworth both of which have a very good selection of children's books. It is also great to receive a book chosen by your child because it is something they are particularly interested in.

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

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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.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thomas Moore,
Headteacher