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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to last weeks' 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:

Tilly
Charlie T
Belle
Vova

Nativities

A huge thank you to everyone involved in the nativities. The children were superb. It was great to be able to welcome people back into school to be able to see them first-hand. Special praise to Charlie T who stepped into an unknown role with less than an hour's notice and did superbly.







Christmas Jumpers

On Tuesday and Thursday this week, children can come to school in their Christmas Jumpers (or any other Christmas themed clothing) if they would like to. On Tuesday, we will be having our Christmas Dinner and on Thursday we will be singing to the villagers at their Christmas lunch – more below.

Christingle

Unfortunately, following a conversation with Fr Peter, we have had to make the decision not to head to church for the Christingle. The icy conditions make the road treacherous for people walking and for cars – the potential risk to life this creates, means we will undertake the Christingle at school instead. We will need to do each service in class and, coupled with the variable timing, will be unable to welcome parents to join us for each one. The exception to this is that Buzzards and Little Owls will be joining up for their Christingle at 14:30. As it is the last one for our Yr 6 children and the first for our Little Owls, parents are welcome to join us for this.

FOBS will be drawing the next set of hamper raffles after the Christingles have all finished (approximately 3pm) and will be selling tickets from first thing in the morning.

Village Hall Singing

Singing in the village hall. The village hall is accessible via paths and is not as far as the church. Therefore, as it stands, singing at the village hall for the villagers' Christmas Lunch will go ahead as planned.

Cake Raffle

There is no Cake Raffle this week. Instead, FOBS have sourced a family ticket to **Fishers Farm.** They also have a free ice cream for one lucky winner courtesy of Pinks Ice Cream Parlour (Bognor). Tickets for this will be sold in the usual way on Friday morning.

Basketball Club!

Starting in January, Wednesday's after-school sports club will involve basketball. We are very excited to let you know we will be welcoming coaches from Worthing Thunder who will lead the club from 15:30 – 16:30. Please book the club in the normal way.

Booking window for all clubs is now open

Advent Books

The advent books are causing great excitement each day (even if Buzzards are convinced I have not

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put their names in the stocking!). Thank you to FOBS for supporting us with this.



Chartwells

A reminder that all parents need to sign up and login to order meals from Chartwells for next term. The deadline for this is the 22nd December. We would advise doing this as soon as possible so that you are familiar with the new system and so that Mrs Clark is able to offer support if required.

If you have not signed up and ordered the meals by the 22nd, you will need to send your child in with a packed lunch in January.

Finally, have a very merry Christmas. We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday January $4^{\text{th.}}$

Covid Guidance





Most Covid guidance has now been withdrawn. The exception can be found on the NHS website **here**.

PE and Bury Rangers from September 2022

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. Those days are as follows*:

	Bury Rangers	PE
Monday		Buzzards Buzzards and Sparrowhawks will have an additional football session throughout the spring term
Tuesday	Kestrels	
Wednesday Sparrowhawks		Little Owls
Thursday	Little Owls	Kestrels
Friday	Buzzards	Sparrowhawks

*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. Unfortunately, much of what we had planned for this term is currently under review. As we are able to confirm additional things we will let you know.

Please keep checking these dates and times as I will update them every week.

Tuesday 13 th December	Chartwells' Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 14 th December	Christingle at church (14:30). Children collected from the church (RH20 1PB)
Thursday 15 th December	Whole School singing to the villagers – children collected from the Village Hall (RH20 1PA)

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Tuesday 3 rd January	INSET
Friday 6 th January Thursday 12 th January	Artist working with Buzzards all day
Monday 9 th January	Football coaching for Buzzards and Sparrowhawks
	starts
Wednesday 25 th January	SPLASH Assembly
Friday 27 th January	INSET
Monday 6 th February	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 8 th February	Parents' Evening
Thursday 2 nd March	Author Visit - AF Harold
Wednesday 15 th March	SPLASH Assembly
Tuesday 21 st March	Full Governing Body meeting
Thursday 30 th March	Sparrowhawks' Easter Production 9:30 and 14:00
Week beginning 17 th April	Buzzard Class Bikeability
Wednesday 26 th April	Fr Peter – final assembly
Week beginning 8 th May	Yr 6 SATs week
Monday 22 nd May	Sports' Morning
Week beginning 12 th June	Phonics Check week for children in Yrs 1 and 2
Tuesday 4 th July	Full Governing Body meeting
Wednesday 5 th July	Transition Day (Yr 6 to new schools)
Tuesday 11 th July	Buzzard Class production 14:00 and 18:00
Thursday 13 th July	Diversity Awareness Day
Monday 20 th November	Artist working with whole school
Tuesday 21 st November	Artist working with Buzzards

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 <u>https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/</u>. 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

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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