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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 Harry (setting a great example)

Sparrowhawk Bryony (perseverance with forward rolls)

Buzzard Michael (great support of other schools on the poppy making day)

We have today been notified that Ofsted will be visiting over the next two days. Please see the additional letter sent home for more information. It would be brilliant if as many of you as possible could complete the online survey, letting our inspector know just how brilliant this school is.

Thank you to those of you who joined us making poppies on Tuesday. Not only were we joined by two other schools but also by Bishop Mark from Horsham and BBC South who spent the morning filming the children. Hopefully you all got to see some of the children from Buzzard Class being interviewed on BBC South Today on Tuesday evening. The children all watched it the following morning and the interviewees said they were both nervous and really excited about being interviewed. We all thought they did brilliantly, as did Mrs Braun and Fr Peter when they were interviewed. Over the next few days the children will be glazing their poppies before Mrs Braun kindly fires them all again. Thank you also to those of you that have sent in your own war related materials. We have received items from parents and governors and it really helps to make the information even more real – thank you.

Don't forget, on Wednesday 10th October we are having an **open day** where a selection of the children's poppy work will be on display for you. This is also the day for prospective new parents to be shown around by our Year 6s – please spread the word.



Somerleyton Visit

The visit of the children from Somerleyton was a huge success, with both schools keen to build on the link in future. A huge thank you has to go to Mrs Braun, Mrs Clark and Mr Gatrell for all their work with the children from both schools; also to Jonathan Dean from the SDNP who provided lots of support throughout the exchange visits.



PE Kit

Already we are having children forgetting their PE kit. Can I please remind you that kit should be in school all week and taken home on a Friday. Whilst we have lots of ways of getting the children involved in coaching etc when they do not have their kit, this is clearly not the same as



being involved in the physical activity of the lessons. Everyone forgets something once, however if your child forgets their kit on more than one occasion, a letter will be sent home notifying you so that you can support your child in ensuring their kit is in their bag.

Friends Of Bury School (FOBS) AGM

29th October 19:30 at school

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 or contact FOBS directly to offer your support. FOBS@bury.school

Tickets now available from the office

Return of the Bury Quiz

On Saturday 27th October

At Bury village hall at 6.30

Fish and chips supper (with a veggie alternative)

Teams of 6 (you don't have to be in team just come along ...)

Bar and raffle

Tickets £12 per person to include supper

Tickets available now from the Bury school office or

Tom.aldridge@gmail.com Or fionapenelopemills@gmail.com



Book the date in your diary now so that you don't miss out on the chance to be quiz champions of Bury!

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 3 rd Oct | 14:45 Splash assembly – parents welcome |
| Friday 5 th October | Long Jumper, Ezekiel Ewulo putting the children through their paces! |
| Wednesday 10 th October | 'Poppies' open morning – 9 - 11:30 and 13:30 – 15:00 |
| Tuesday 16 th October | 15:30 – 17:30 Parents' Evening |
| Wednesday 17 th October | 15:30 – 17:30 Parents' Evening |
| Friday 19 th October | Joint INSET with the Rother Valley Schools looking at social and emotional health |
| Saturday 27 th October | Bury Quiz night at the Village Hall |
| Friday 2 nd November | FOBS Autumn Party 17:30 – 19:00 |
| Tuesday 20 th November | KS2 to Butser Ancient Farm |
| Wednesday 5 th December | Singing to the WI (Class TBC) |
| Thursday 13 th December | PM Singing at Bury Village Hall (whole school – collected from hall) |
| Tuesday 18 th December | Christmas service at St John's – children collected from church (everyone welcome) |



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| Wednesday 19 th December | INSET |
| July 22 nd and 23 rd | INSET |

Thank you for your continued support.

Thomas Moore,
Headteacher