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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. The last two week's winners were:

Kestrel Daisy and Connor

Sparrowhawk Freya and Arthur

Buzzard Harley and Skye

December already! Our tree is up in the hall thanks to a kind donation from Little Birds. In time-honoured tradition, the children will be decorating it with Mrs Maynard this afternoon.

Please note there are two occasions over the next couple of weeks where the children will need collecting from the Village Hall, not at school – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> (if your child/ren are doing clubs they will be walked back to school to take part as normal) and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> (no clubs this week).

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Kestrel Class will be singing in Tesco, Pulborough between 9:00 and 10:00. Could Kestrel Class please be dropped off at Tesco where they will meet with Mrs Seymour. Could you please let us know if you are able to bring your child/ren back to school from Tesco by the end of this week so that we can sort transport arrangements, thank you.

14:30 on the 11<sup>th</sup> December and again at 9:30 on the 13<sup>th</sup> will see Kestrel Class perform their nativity. This is open to all families and villagers and there will even be a raffle at both events from FOBS. If you want to get in the Christmas spirit, this is sure to do the trick.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> is going to be a very festive day at school. Fr Peter is in school in the morning creating Christingles with all of the children ready to use at St John's on Tuesday afternoon. The afternoon will see the whole school coming together for some Christmas related games and we are hoping to get a visit from someone special, if he can find time at this particularly busy time of the year! If the children would like to wear a festive jumper or other such attire for the 17<sup>th</sup> they are more than welcome.



From 14:00 on the last day of term (for the children), Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, it would be wonderful to have as many of you as possible joining us at the church to join in with some traditional Christmas carols as Fr Peter leads us with his annual Christingle. FOBS will also be running a raffle straight after the service, so a great opportunity to finish the year with a prize. Please don't forget that the children need to be collected from the Church at 15:15 on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Could you therefore please collect PE Kits and bags etc. on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> so that the children have less to carry to church on Tuesday.

## Governors

We have a really strong education background on our governing body and feel the governance of school could be really enhanced with bringing in some additional expertise.

We are particularly looking for people with knowledge of:

business, building, finance, planning, publicity/fundraising

If you feel you could support us in any of these areas and would like to get involved, please speak to me or leave a note at the office and I will get back to you.

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
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Book Fair at school
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	14:30 – Kestrel Class Nativity
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	9:30 – Kestrel Class Nativity
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	PM Singing at Bury Village Hall (whole school – collected from Village Hall)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Kestrels singing at Tesco
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas service at St John's – children collected from church (everyone welcome)
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	INSET
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	FOBS meeting 19:30 – 20:30
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	SPLASH assembly, all welcome 14:45
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	SPLASH assembly, all welcome 14:45
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Special visitor for KS2
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	West Sussex Music – Little Big Sing held at Bury
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	South Downs Astronomy Festival held here at Bury
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Love Bury
July 22 <sup>nd</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET

Thank you for your continued support.

Thomas Moore,  
Headteacher