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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to last week's 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	Jaeger
Sparrowhawk	Jayden
Buzzard	Max

Permissions and Payments

For school camp we had 25 children booked in by the deadline provided. As such the staffing arrangements, food and tent allocations were made based on this figure. We then had several people asking to book after the deadline. After discussion, the booking window was opened again for those few who would be missing out. We now have 54 children booked in. I am sure you can appreciate this means the tent allocations, staffing and food all needed to be looked at again. This all takes time. School Camp is only possible due to the staff giving up their time in order to provide this opportunity for your children.

We all know that there are circumstances where payment and permissions etc can be missed. When such circumstances are raised with us, we will always look to see what we can do to ensure a child does not miss out.

Please ensure we have payment and permission by the date set so that we can plan accordingly. If either payment or permission are a problem then please contact us in advance of the deadline so that we can be aware and again, can plan accordingly. The example above is just for school camp, and is unfortunately a pattern that repeats for other such events.

Thank you to those of you reading this who do respond within the timeframes. It is much appreciated.

Management Information System (MIS)

Many of you will have noticed that Mrs Clark has not always been situated in the office over the last few weeks. This is because West Sussex are changing their MIS for the first time in over 30 years and as a result, Mrs Clark has had to attend several training sessions off-site. Changing MIS is a huge undertaking, particularly in a small school such as our own. In an ideal world, you will

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all notice very little change. However, as is ever the case with such significant change, and after hearing from other schools who have switched already, it is likely that there be some teething issues. Please bear with us as we work our way through these.

Sussex Day

As part of our Ambassador School status for the South Downs National Park, we established our first ever multi-school Sussex Day. We were joined by children and staff from Easebourne, Slindon and Whytemead primary schools. Throughout the morning the children took part in a variety of traditional Sussex-based activities. Buzzard Class spent time with Sompting Morris, Stoolball with Miss Willett and Traditional Sussex Storytelling with Michael O'Leary. The other schools also spent time with the South Downs Education Team learning about the local area. In the afternoon the children from each school sang a traditional Sussex folk song they had been learning. Once the other schools had left, Kestrels and Sparrowhawks came over to the field to enjoy some more singing and even a bonus story about how Devil's Dyke was formed.

A huge thank you to Mr Mott for organising the day, to Miss Willett for teaching Stoolball throughout the morning, Sompting Morris for spending the morning with us and to Mrs McCulloch, Mr Cowley, Mrs Tupper and Mrs Atkins for helping us set up shade for the day. An excellent team effort all round.





Phonics Lesson

There will be a special Phonics session for parents of Reception and Year 1 children tomorrow after drop off (9am start). The Year 1 session will take place in the hall and Year R in Kestrel Classroom. This will be an opportunity to see how the lesson is delivered and how you can support your child/ren at home.

Message from FOBS

We are having a mufti day (non-uniform) on the **24th of June** in exchange for Tombola prizes such as wine, bottles, chocolates, biscuits, and toiletries. These can be brought into school on the morning or afternoon of the 24th.

Thank you for your support

Friends of Bury School

Sunscreen and Waterproofs

With continuing high temperatures and UV levels forecast this week, please ensure your child is sent to school with sunscreen applied and their water bottle filled.



Please remember just how quickly the storms can break so make sure your child also has a coat with them each day.

22/23

The new structure for September 22 will be as follows:

Year Group	Class Name	Teacher/s
R	Little Owl	Miss Webb
1 & 2	Kestrel	Mrs Seymour
3 & 4	Sparrowhawk	Miss Willett and Mrs Gammon
5 & 6	Buzzard	Mrs Braun

In order to hit the ground running in September, we would like to invite you to meet your child's **class teacher for 22/23** where they will share with you information about the autumn term and the end of year expectations. These meetings will take place in the hall at the following times and will last no more than 30mins:

Buzzards	Monday 11 th July at 8:45
Sparrowhawks	Monday 11 th July at 14:45
Kestrels	Tuesday 12 th July at 8:45
Little Owls	(Transition Day 1 - 23 rd June)

We hope these meetings will help you and your child to get ready for September 2022.

Save the Date - Saturday 2nd July

See separate letter sent out this morning.

Covid Guidance

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

PE and Bury Rangers

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One positive from last year has been coming into school in PE kit throughout the last year and half has really helped with ensuring the children get more time being active and less time changing – it has also helped with children not forgetting kit. **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.

We will therefore be continuing with attending school in PE kit or Bury Rangers clothes for the relevant days. Those days are as follows*:

	Bury Rangers	PE
Monday	Kestrels	Buzzards
Tuesday	Buzzards	
Wednesday	Sparrowhawks	Kestrels
Thursday		Sparrowhawks
Friday		

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.

Thursday 9 th June	Yr 3 and 4 swimming lessons at Dorset House begin
Tuesday 21 st June	Phonics open morning for Kestrel parents – 9am
Tuesday 21 st June	Buzzards and Sparrowhawks at Champs Hill all day
Wednesday 22 nd June	Poetry Day with Joshua Seigal
Thursday 23 rd June	New starters afternoon
Friday 24 th June	School Camp and Mufti Day (for FOBS)
Monday 27 th June	Y6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral followed by a special theatre visit
Wednesday 29 th June	SPLASH assembly 14:45 (parents welcome)
Saturday 2 nd July	School Fete
Tuesday 5 th July	Full Governing Body meeting
Thursday 7 th July	New starters afternoon
Wednesday 13 th July	Buzzard Class Performance to families 14:00 and 18:00
Thursday 14 th July	Queen Day (Autism Awareness)
Friday 15 th July	Special visitor to school



Wednesday 20 th July	School Walk (more to follow)
Wednesday 20 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 21 st July	INSET
Friday 22 nd July	Additional Holiday in lieu of Queen's Anniversary
Thursday 1 st September	INSET
Friday 2 nd September	INSET
Friday 21 st October	INSET
Tuesday 3 rd January	INSET
TBC	Final INSET

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 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