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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 George

Sparrowhawk Ivan

Buzzard Amelie

Christmas

An apology, in last week's newsletter I talked about two dates that the children needed collecting from the village hall, Thursday 13th was correct, Tuesday 18th should have referred to being collected from church.

A slight change to the 17th. This year we have been offered the chance to take all of KS2 (Sparrowhawks and Buzzards) to Midhurst Rother College's pantomime. Our place was only confirmed last week and it will mean that everyone needs a packed lunch as we will be returning by coach over the lunch break. Apologies for any inconvenience caused but I am sure it will be a great opportunity to get in the Christmas spirit and see the drama on offer at MRC. FOBS have kindly agreed to pay the coach costs so there will be no charge for this event. KS2 will need to wear their school uniform in the morning so that they can be easily identified at MRC, but can bring a Christmas jumper or similar to change into for the afternoon. KS1 can wear theirs all day if they would like.

The afternoon will involve the whole school doing various Christmas related activities, including making their Christingles with Fr Peter.

On Friday 14th 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, siblings can of course be dropped off at school from 8:30 as normal. Thank you for the offers of transport back, if you have not let us know, could you please do so as soon as possible.

14:30 on the 11th December and again at 9:30 on the 13th 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.



From 14:00 on the last day of term (for the children), Tuesday 18th 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 18th. Could you therefore please collect PE Kits and bags etc. on Monday 17th so that the children have less to carry to church on Tuesday.

Special Educational Needs at Bury

Mrs Edwards will be retiring from her role as SENDCo (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator) in the near future. I would like to express my thanks to Mrs Edwards for her work over the last 20 months and wish her all the best for her retirement.

We have taken the opportunity to explore different options with regards to our new SENDCo appointment to further support all of the children here at Bury. Mrs Seymour (Kestrel Class Teacher) has been appointed to the role which will mean our SENDCo is a full-time class teacher at school. The role will be reviewed annually in-line with the SEN need across the school.

Mrs Seymour has already spent some time working with Mrs Edwards and will continue to do so to ensure a strong handover between them.

Friday 4th January – a chance for Nursery children to meet future classmates

Kestrel Class would like to teach some younger children to pot up some of Jack's magic beans for you to take home. Because we are lucky enough to have small class sizes where the year groups are taught together, this will be a great opportunity for your child to meet some of the wonderful children in Kestrel Class who would be with them in September. If you have a younger sibling or know of any other parents with younger children who would like to come and join Kestrel Class then please do join us any time between 9 and 12. You will have a decorated pot to take home, complete with 'magic' bean.

Governors

Thank you to those of you who have declared an interest in the role of governor.

We are still looking for a clerk, if you know someone who would be keen on this role please contact us to discuss it further.

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 th – 14 th December	Book Fair at school
Tuesday 11 th December	14:30 – Kestrel Class Nativity
Thursday 13 th December	9:30 – Kestrel Class Nativity
Thursday 13 th December	PM Singing at Bury Village Hall (whole school – collected from Village Hall)
Friday 14 th December	Kestrels singing at Tesco
Monday 17th December	KS2 to MRC Panto
Monday 17th December	Christingle making with Fr Peter
Thursday 3rd January 2019	1st day back
Tuesday 18 th December	Christmas service at St John's – children collected from church (everyone welcome)
Wednesday 19 th December	INSET
Monday 7 th January	FOBS meeting 19:30 – 20:30
Wednesday 16 th January	SPLASH assembly, all welcome 14:45
Wednesday 20 th March	SPLASH assembly, all welcome 14:45
Thursday 21 st March	Special visitor for KS2
Wednesday 5 th June	West Sussex Music – Little Big Sing held at Bury
Saturday 8 th June	South Downs Astronomy Festival held here at Bury
Sunday 30 th June	Love Bury
July 22 nd and 23 rd	INSET

Thank you for your continued support.

Thomas Moore,
Headteacher