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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	Declan
Sparrowhawk	Frida
Buzzard	Leo

### Improving reading through phonics

As you know, we have had a significant focus on improving early reading this year. The positive impact of our change in phonics scheme is already evident. To ensure this work is built upon beyond Kestrels, four more staff members will begin their 6-week training after half term. In order to do this well, we will have another teacher joining our team over the next few weeks, Miss Kingston, who will be working across the school.

Kestrel Class are going to offer their parents the opportunity to come and watch one of their phonics lessons, so that you can see how to support them at home with their early reading. Yr 1's will be moving to the hall and Reception will move into Kestrel Classroom so that we have the space for you to visit. This will take place on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 9am. There will be enough space for one person per child. If there is the desire, we will offer further sessions in future. It would really help your understanding of the session if you have already completed this [online tutorial](#)

### Club (and childcare) Bookings Now Open.

A reminder that the first hour of each club is as follows:

Monday:	Sports
Tuesday:	Art and crafts
Wednesday:	Board games
Thursday:	Music / Bee-keeping Club*

\*Bee-keeping is for Buzzard Class and is limited to five children for safety. As it is their last few weeks in school, we are going to open it up to Yr 6 first. If there are any spaces available it will be opened up to year 5 on Wednesday this week. Bookings will open tomorrow (Tuesday) at 7pm.

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## Parent Volunteers

Thank you for the positive response to this. If you would like to volunteer for opportunities to get involved in school when needed, please do let Mrs Clark know so that the correct checks can be made.

## Buzzard Trip to the Moncrieff-Bray Gallery

Thanks to The Arts Society West Sussex Young Arts, Buzzard Class had their own private visit to the Moncrieff-Bray gallery. Time was spent looking at the amazing work on display, choosing their favourites and then applying some techniques to sketch them. Once we were back at school, the children worked with artist, Maureen Wells to create their own landscape in acrylics.

The children's behaviour and attitude to learning was superb. This was commented on by the artist working with us and again by the gallery owners.



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Please check the diary dates at the end of the newsletter – lots and lots going on next term, including the post-Covid return of a few old favourites!

## Save the Date - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

FOBS are busy working behind the scenes to hold a fete on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. After two years without them, this will be a chance to bring everyone back together and hopefully raise some funds in the process.

More to follow from FOBS.

## Covid Guidance

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

## PE and Bury Rangers

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
<b>Monday</b>	Kestrels	Buzzards
<b>Tuesday</b>	Buzzards	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Sparrowhawks	Kestrels
<b>Thursday</b>		



<b>Friday</b>		Sparrowhawks
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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.

Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Little Lifesavers teaching Buzzards emergency first aid
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Jubilee Day (children come to school in their National colours)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	School Photos
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 3 and 4 swimming lessons at Dorset House begin
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Morning
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Sussex Day – Folk Festival (Buzzards)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Phonics open morning for Kestrel parents
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Buzzards and Sparrowhawks at Champs Hill all day
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Poetry Day with Joshua Seigal
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	New starters afternoon
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	School Camp (more to follow)
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral followed by a special theatre visit
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	SPLASH assembly 14:45 (parents welcome)
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	School Fete
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Full Governing Body meeting
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	New starters afternoon
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Buzzard Class Performance to families 14:00 and 18:00
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Special visitor to school
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	School Walk (more to follow)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	INSET
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Additional Holiday in lieu of Queen's Anniversary

## 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