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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 week's winners were:

Kestrel Jemima

Sparrowhawk Daisy

Buzzard Ivor

## Swimming Pool Conversion

A big thank you to Mr McConachie and Mrs Maynard for painting the outside of the pool surround (1<sup>st</sup> coat).

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> December Mr Stevens, Grounds Manager from the Wildfowl and Wetland Trust in Arundel is looking for some volunteers to help him relocate our existing pond flora and fauna into its new home. He has identified an invasive species of plant that he needs help removing before the relocation takes place. Mr Stevens has three volunteers to help him out, if you would like to join him please let us know as soon as possible.

## Weekly Cake Raffle

Layton was the pleased recipient of last week's cake – hopefully it made it home in one piece.

## FOBS

An evening of Christmas wreath making (and a little wine drinking) is being run by FOBS this Friday evening. Please see the flyer to book your place – spaces are limited so get in quick.

This Friday we are also having a Mufti day in exchange for a raffle prize:

## HELP NEEDED – FUNDRAISER FOR SCHOOL.

### Mufti Day 29th November



Mufti Day in exchange tombola/raffle prizes. As with last year we are hoping to do a Christmas raffle at each Nativity performance and the Christingle service.

A BOTTLE OF WINE/SOFT DRINK

BOX OF CHOCOLATES/BISCUITS

ANYTHING ELSE YOU THINK WE COULD MAKE USE OF

GOOD CONDITION CHRISTMAS CLOTHING (JUMPERS, SHIRTS ECT)

If you think you may be able to donate a raffle prize or know anyone who may be able to please talk to Kim (Layton) or Jo (Max & Leo)

## Children in Need (15<sup>th</sup> November)

Thank you for all of your donations for Children in Need. We raised a fantastic £169.63.

## Kestrel Class Music

It was great to hear so much positive feedback for Kestrel Class' music performance with Mr Mott. Don't forget this week we have Splash visiting where they will be using puppets to tell us about a Christian Value. All are welcome.

## Change in After School Provider

Chanctonbury Leisure will be finishing with us at Christmas as the limited numbers are making the clubs unviable. However, we will be offering clubs Monday to Thursday as Mr Gatrell, Miss Hetherington and Mr Mott will be offering clubs on different evenings. We have also been approached by a parent to offer another new club. If there is a club you would like to offer to run for a term and are happy to have your DBS check, then please let us know and we will see what we can do.

Our clubs will all have a flat £5 per session from January for 15:15 – 16:30.

## Buzzard Class Residential

It was a real pleasure to be away with Buzzards for the week. They were courteous throughout, had a go at everything that was thrown at them and had an excellent time in the process. We were incredibly lucky with the weather with the rain staying away all week – that didn't stop us





all getting very wet however!











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## Birthdays

For our new parents. Children can wear their own clothes for the day (or a day either side of the holiday) when it is their birthday. Historically, lots of sweets such as small bags of Haribo have been brought in to give out at the end of the day. The sweets invariably produce a huge amount of rubbish and are gone within seconds. 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. If there was a message inscribed it would keep 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 don't 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.

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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| <del>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup></del> <b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>Splash Assembly – All welcome</b><br><b>Apologies, we have had to change the date as we have representatives from all National Parks</b> |





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|  | coming to visit on Wednesday and using our hall for a meeting afterwards.                                      |
| <b>Friday 29th</b>                           | <b>Mufti in exchange for a raffle prize for Christmas</b>  |
| Tuesday December 10 <sup>th</sup> PM (14:00) | Kestrel's Nativity   |
| Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>                     | Children's Christmas Craft Enterprise (more to follow)   |
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> AM (9:30)         | Kestrel's Nativity   |
| Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>                    | Singing to the village at the annual village lunch – all children collected from village hall (unless at club) |
| Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>                    | Christingle at Church 14:30 – all children collected from Church (unless at club)                              |
| <b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>                | <b>Christmas Lunch</b>   |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January               | INSET  |
| <b>Saturday 18th</b>                         | <b>16:00 – 19:00 Inaugural Bury Wassail – more to follow</b>   |
| Thursday March 5 <sup>th</sup>               | Author Visit   |
| Friday May 22 <sup>nd</sup>                  | Sports Morning   |
| Monday July 20 <sup>th</sup>                 | INSET  |

## Christmas Trees

If you are looking for a real Christmas tree, Charlie's Farm (just 30 seconds down the road) have them available.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thomas Moore,  
Headteacher