



Bury C.E. Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to our Star of the Week winners from each class. The class teacher chooses one child each week who has demonstrated one or more of our core values of: courage, humility, wisdom, compassion and perseverance. Last week's winners were:

Little Owl	Alice
Kestrel	Maisie
Sparrowhawk	Edward
Buzzard	Connor

Artist in Residence

Darrell was here nice and early and is busy working with Buzzard Class today. Tomorrow he will be working with all of the other classes as the children work together to create some new classroom-inspired sculptural art.



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Children in Need

A big thank you for all the online donations to Children in Need and for the cake raffle ticket purchases. A great variety of 'spotacular' costumes were on display with lots raised for Children in Need in the process.



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Bury Rangers switch – Little Owls and Buzzards

A slight timetabling change. Buzzards' Bury Ranger will move to Fridays and Little Owls' will move to Tuesdays with immediate effect.

Christmas Lunch

Deadline for ordering your child's Christmas lunch through Parentpay is by Thursday 30th November.

FOBS Quiz

A huge thank you to the team at The Squire and Horse for providing a venue and food for a brilliant night of quizzing on Thursday. Thanks also to Mrs Leggett for her excellent 'quiz-mastering'.

FOBS Updates

THANK YOU FROM FOBS! We wanted to say a HUGE thank you to all our school and wider community for showing epic support last week. We raised... £395 on day one of selling tea towels, £410 at the pub quiz, £420 selling gin at Denmans Christmas Fayre, £30 in snacks after school for FOBS and £46 for Children in Need on the cake raffle. Phew!! This would not have been possible without a few important people to thank...

Nick and Shannon (Kestrels parents) at the Squire very generously donated all the food, space and service team to our very successful pub quiz on Thursday. Liz (Kestrels mum) the legend has had a part to play in every single number in the above paragraph! A true team player and has worked exceptionally hard. Emily (LO mum) organised the entire tea towel project - and I think we can all agree that they are stunning! They will be for sale again on Friday morning and afternoon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Macrame Christmas Workshop - 29th November sign up here! <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/macrame-christmas-wreath-workshop-tickets-756274576617?aff=oddtcreator>

Lego Day - 1st December

Christmas Fayre - NEW DATE - 8th December

Gin and Raffle tickets for sale - 10-15th December

Raffle drawn at village Christmas lunch - 15th December



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Requests For Absence

A reminder that any request for absence needs completing on the absence request form and returned to school two weeks in advance.

Covid Guidance

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

PE and Bury Rangers

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. Plus shin pads and mouth-guards for Sparrowhawks and Buzzards

Children to attend school in PE kit or Bury Rangers clothes for the relevant days* as follows:

	Bury Rangers	PE
Monday		Buzzards & Sparrowhawks
Tuesday	Little Owls	
Wednesday	Sparrowhawks	Everyone
Thursday	Kestrels	
Friday	Buzzards	

*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.

Please keep checking these dates and times as I will update them every week.

Tuesday 14 th November	FGB
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Friday 17 th November-New date – 1 st December	FOBS Lego Day
Monday 20 th November	Artist working with whole school
Tuesday 21 st November	Artist working with Buzzards
Monday 4 th December	Keyboard and Piano instrumentalists performing to their parents - 9am
Wednesday 6 th December	SPLASH
Friday 8 th December	MUFTI (FOBS – raffle prizes)
Tuesday 12 th December	9:30 and 14:00 Nativity (Little Owls and Kestrels)
Wednesday 13 th December	Buzzards making mince pies with a local chef
Thursday 14 th December	14:30 – Christmas Carols and Christingle with Fr John at St John's Church. Children (except club) to be collected from the church
Friday 15 th December	Singing to the village – children being collected from the Village Hall (more to follow)
Friday 12 th January 2024	FOBS Lego Workshop
Tuesday 16 th January	FGB
Wednesday 24 th January	SPLASH
Thursday 7 th March	Jeanne Willis author visit
Tuesday 12 th March	FGB
Wednesday 20 th March	SPLASH
Tuesday 7 th May	FGB
Monday 13 th – Thursday 16 th May	KS2 SATs
Wednesday 15 th May	SPLASH
Wednesday 22 nd May	Sports Morning
Monday 3 rd June	School Photos
Friday 14 th June	Sussex Day
Wednesday 3 rd July	Transition Day
Tuesday 9 th July	FGB
Monday 22 nd July	INSET 4
Tuesday 23 rd July	INSET 5

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

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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