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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 the winners were:

| Little Owl | Jack |
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| Kestrel | Nanci |
| Sparrowhawk | Bertie |
| Buzzard | Mia |

Building Update

Our new classroom is complete!



Once they had had a good look at their new space, Buzzards did a great job relocating from their old room to the new one.

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As previously shared, following the conclusion of the modular build, work has moved straight on to redeveloping some internal areas of school. A lot of this work took place during the half term break to ensure the least disruption to school as is possible. This work will continue over the rest of this half term with everything due to be completed by Easter.

KS2 Author Visit

Kieran Larwood, author of one of the books the children study in KS2, is joining Buzzards and Sparrowhawks tomorrow. At the end of the day, Petworth Bookshop will be on hand to sell some of his books. Kieran will be staying with us after school to sign his books for the children.

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

| | Bury Rangers | PE |
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| Monday | | |
| Tuesday | Little Owls, Kestrels Buzzards (until Easter) | |
| Wednesday | Sparrowhawks | Everyone |
| Thursday | | |
| Friday | Buzzards (from summer term) | |

*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.

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| Please keep checking these dates and times as | I will update them every week. |
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| Monday Feb 24 th | New classroom handover and move in |
| Monday Feb 24 th | Parents' Evening |
| Tuesday Feb 25 th | Author visit for KS2 |
| Wednesday Feb 26 th | Parents' Evening |
| Thursday March 20 th | Full Governing Body meeting |
| Wednesday April 2 nd | SPLASH Easter assembly – all welcome |
| Thursday May 8 th | Full Governing Body meeting |
| Wednesday May 14 th | SPLASH assembly |
| Wednesday May 21 st | Sports Morning |
| Monday June 2 nd | School Photos |
| Week beginning Monday June 2 nd | Bikeability for Buzzard Class |
| Friday June 13 th | Sussex Day |
| Tuesday June 17 th | New Starters Morning for new Little Owls |
| Wednesday June 25 th | Yr 6 Leavers at Chichester Cathedral |
| Wednesday July 2 nd | Transition Day |
| Friday 4 th July | KS2 Camp – more to follow |
| Tuesday 8 th July | 14:00 KS2 production to parents (children welcome) |
| Wednesday 9 th July | 18:00 KS2 production to parents (Sparrowhawk Parents) |
| Thursday 10 th July | Full Governing Body Meeting |
| Thursday 10 th July | 18:00 KS2 Production to Parents (Buzzard Parents) |
| Friday July 11th | Diversity Day |
| Tuesday July 15 th | FOBS Lego Day |
| Tuesday July 15 th | Reports out |
| Thursday July 17 th | Leavers' Assembly (Yr 6 parents welcome) |
| Friday July 18 th | School Walk |
| Monday 21 st July | INSET 4 |
| Tuesday 22 nd 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

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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