



# Bury C.E. Primary School



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Dear parents and 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  | Tommy    |
| Kestrel     | Jago     |
| Sparrowhawk | Bodhi    |
| Buzzard     | Arthur T |
| Mrs Seymour | Arthur T |

## Class Updates

The link to the individual class pages can be found in every newsletter (see below). From Thursday, your child's class page will have all updated information relating to the summer term. This will include any National Assessment information relevant to your child's year group. Please check this information and speak to your child's class teacher if you are unsure about anything.

## Little Owls Farm Visit

On Friday, Little Owls visited the Tupper's farm. The children had a fantastic time and were most impressed by their tour guide for the day, Arthur Tupper. Arthur did a superb job explaining all about lambing and Little Owls were all very impressed – as was Mrs Seymour who chose Arthur for her Star of the Week award. What Mrs Seymour was not aware of was that Mrs Braun had chosen Arthur for the award after he had made some excellent progress in his writing.

Our thanks to Mr and Mrs Tupper for putting on the trip, and to Arthur for sharing his expertise with the class.

## Subject Focus

Over the next few weeks, we will share a little about all of the subjects taught at Bury. To start with, have a read about Art at Bury – our Burylliant Art!

Here at Bury, art regularly takes center stage, being the stimulus to engage children in other areas of the curriculum and also being taught simply for the sake of teaching art. Despite there being only 7

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National Curriculum objectives for the whole of primary school, we believe that art is a hugely important subject, one that supports children with expressions of ideas and feelings, one that promotes creativity, perseverance and courage to try something new.

It is also fun. Fun for the children and fun for the staff. It provides a time that both children and adults can play with different media and get lost in their own learning. It also provides the opportunity to create something special, something of high quality, something to share with others and build their own confidence. We are fortunate to have staff here who enjoy working with different media in their own time: Mrs Braun's skills with pottery, Mrs Seymour's enjoyment of abstract art, Mr Gatrell's whimsical watercolour and my own interest in photography. Add this to our regular work with Young Arts and it allows us to tap into these interests and provide the children with opportunities that might not otherwise be available to them from people who are passionate about their interests.

The results of this are children who love art and are confident to share their ideas with all of us through the work that they produce.





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## School Walk

Having been postponed due to excessive heat in previous years, we have moved the school walk to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May this year in the hope of cooler weather. Please see the separate letter for details.

Sports Morning – Change of Date. **New date confirmed – morning of 3<sup>rd</sup> June.**

Please note this is a change from the previously advertised 20<sup>th</sup> May. To support you with organising your day – the event normally runs from 9am until approximately 11am. This is of course subject to change based on weather, speed of the children in the races, length of clapping and whooping between races etc.

## Links to Individual Class Pages

[Little Owls](#)

[Kestrels](#)

[Sparrowhawks](#)

[Buzzards](#)

## 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       |
|------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Sparrowhawks          |          |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Kestrels, Little Owls |          |
| <b>Wednesday</b> |                       | Everyone |
| <b>Thursday</b>  |                       |          |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Buzzards              |          |



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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.

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

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April   | FGB   |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May  | Little Owls and Kestrels to Amberley Museum                         |
| Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> May                          | KS2 National Assessments  |
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May   | School Walk   |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May  | SPLASH Assembly   |
| <del>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May</del> Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June | Sports Morning  |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June   | School Photos   |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June   | Artist with Buzzards for the day                                    |
| Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June  | Parent Workshop (details to follow)                                 |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June   | Transition morning for new Yr R                                     |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June   | SPLASH working with Yr 6 – Transition to secondary support          |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June  | Yr 6 Leavers' Service   |
| <del>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June</del> Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June   | Sussex Day (more to follow)   |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June  | Provisional KS2 Camp  |
| Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June  | INSET 4 (25/26)   |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July  | Transition Day  |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July   | KS2 inter-school Rounders afternoon (more to follow)                |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July   | FGB   |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July  | KS2 inter-school Football afternoon (more to follow)                |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July             | KS2 Play – timings to be confirmed                                  |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> July                      | Young Arts Exhibition at Fittleworth Hall featuring children's work |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July   | INSET 5 (25/26)   |
| Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September                                       | INSET 1 (26/27)   |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October   | INSET   |
| Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2027                                     | INSET   |

## 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](#)



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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. James at The Crow Road Books in Arundel will give you 10% discount if you show him this letter. If you are looking for something that is tricky to find, please email James in advance and he will do his best to help you

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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