



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	Jessie
Kestrel	Bodhi
Sparrowhawk	Amelie
Buzzard	Jemima

Mr. Moore

Mr. Moore is unwell at the moment and Mrs. Braun will be stepping in for him until the end of term. Mrs. Barnes, who has been in school for the last 2 weeks, will be covering Mrs. Braun when she is out of class.

Music Performances

The children played beautifully this morning and we were very impressed with all that they have learnt this term.

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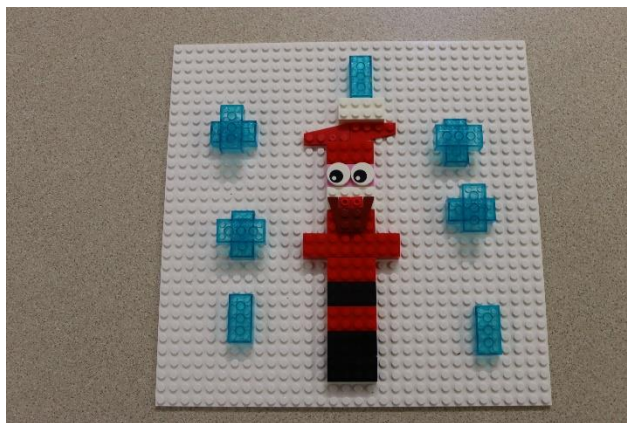
Hockey Match

Buzzards played in a mini hockey tournament against Midhurst Primary last Monday. The conditions were less than perfect but our Year 5 and 6 teams were fabulous. We drew the final with Midhurst, and also came in third place. Many thanks to Mrs. Gammon for such top class coaching with hockey this term.

Buzzards and Sparrowhawks will not need their shin pads and mouth guards in after Christmas.

Lego Day

What a superb day we had on Friday when all classes and their families were treated to Lego Day. We saw some superb Christmassy scenes including snowmen, Santa's grotto and a toy processing conveyor belt! Huge thanks to Mrs. Tupper, Mrs. Leggett and Mrs. Youngs.





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Christmas Postbox

The Christmas postbox will be in the library if your child wants to send cards. Please ensure the envelopes have the first name and surname initial (Bob P , Sparrowhawks) and class of the recipient. These will be given out on the last day of term.

Everybody Read

No session this week (8th) or next week (15th) .

FOBS Updates

♥FOBS UPDATE FOR THIS WEEK♥

We are well and truly on the countdown to Christmas now! This is a long message but please read in full if you want to know what's happening in December.

Please could we ask anyone who is able to provide prizes (vouchers etc) for our grand raffle drawn on 15th to do so asap.

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Here are the latest updates for you:

CAKE RAFFLE, SNACKS AND TEA TOWELS - these will run as usual on Friday and we will have tea towels for sale again.

8th DEC MUFTI DAY AND FESTIVE FUN FRIDAY - please dress children in their own clothes (ideally Christmas themed!) and bring a physical item for donation to raffle hampers.

Festive Fun Friday will take place after school in the hall - focusing mainly on games and activities for the children but also raffle and an opportunity to pre-order our 1HB gin for collection the following week. We will be selling raffle tickets for the raffle being drawn on the 15th see below...

In an attempt to reduce waste and the use of fast plastics FOBS would like to attempt to source pre-loved gently used teddies, toys & games as prizes for the tombola at Festive Fun Friday. If you have any items you'd like to donate please catch a member of FOBS (items must be clean and in very good condition please). Christmas jumpers also welcome. Thank you in advance!

12th DEC NATIVITY - FOBS will be selling refreshments, raffle tickets and tea towels at both the 9.30 and 2 performances.

15th DEC VILLAGE CHRISTMAS LUNCH - we will be drawing the Christmas raffles here and completing as much further fundraising for the school as we can!

Thank you again for your ongoing support! FOBS

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:

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	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.

Friday 17 th November - New date – 1 st December	FOBS Lego Day
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

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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