



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	Ida
Kestrel	Imogen
Sparrowhawk	Ottilie
Buzzard	Rosie
Mrs Seymour	Bodhi

National Assessments

Next week our Yr 6 children will be completing their SATs. These will all be taking place in Buzzards' classroom. There will be slight changes to the timetable for everyone else throughout the week so that the children have a quiet environment to complete their assessments.

As we return from half term, Yr 4 will have their Multiplication Check and Yr 1 will complete their Phonics Check.

Please check your child's individual class pages for more information.

Buzzards work with the Arts Society

Last Wednesday, Buzzards worked with specialist dance teacher, Lisa Davies. Their final work was filmed and will be shared with us before the end of term. The children threw themselves into the day and certainly enjoyed the experience.



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Subject Focus

Over the next few weeks, we will share a little about all of the subjects taught at Bury. Last week was Art, today we have Humanities

An insight to Humanities at Bury, by subject lead, Laura Webb

At Bury C E Primary School, the teaching and learning of history and geography reflect impressive breadth and depth. Despite being a small school, the children at Bury study an ambitious and exciting curriculum that explores ancient civilizations to modern day and their immediate local environment to the wider world. Through hands-on enquiry, map work, field studies, rich storytelling and meaningful discussion, the children develop a strong sense of chronology, place and global awareness.

A recent whole school project known as 'Brilliant Bury' is a celebration of the local village. The children use a variety of skills such as detailed map work, drawing, painting and clay modelling to build a comparison of Bury past and present. The children also examine old photos and study census records to create an understanding of what their familiar surroundings were like in the past. One Year 6 child said, "I didn't know much about Bury before but now I know more than I thought I could!"

Sparrowhawk class also got the chance to enjoy a prehistoric topic day with a local archaeologist. The children took part in an immersive mapping activity which helped them appreciate how far back in time prehistory is, as well as what archaeology is in their local area. The children examined artefacts to deepen their understanding of the Stone and Bronze Ages, and a highlight of the day was creating a facial reconstruction of a Bronze Age person!





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Sports Morning – Change of Date. **New date confirmed – morning of 3rd June.**

Please note this is a change from the previously advertised 20th 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
Monday	Sparrowhawks	
Tuesday	Kestrels, Little Owls	
Wednesday		Everyone
Thursday		
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





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

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,

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please email James in advance and he will do his best to help you
james@thecrowroadbooks.co.uk

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